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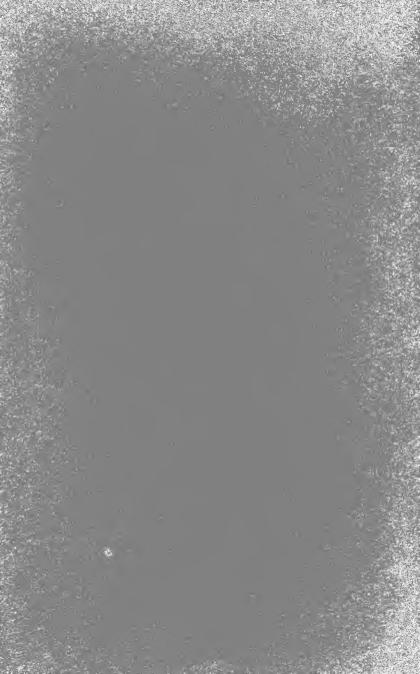
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Morris Jastrow, Jr., Librarian.

University of Pennsylvania, December, 1908.



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TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS.

A. = Autogragh.

D. = Document.

Diss. = Dissertation.

Dr. = Draft.

E. = Endorsement.

F. R. S. = Fellow of the Royal Society, of London.

L. = Letter.

M. A. P. S. = Member of the American Philosophical Society.

M. C. C. = Member of the Continental Congress.

Mem. = Memorandum.

Ms. = Manuscript.

N. = Note.

P. = Person.

p. = Page.S. = Signed.

[] = Addition by the Editor.

[?] = Doubtful reading or information.



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LETTERS TO BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

From Mrs. Deane. [Circa 1758.] March 1. London.

Acknowledging the copy of [Poor] Richard's Maxims, which are so excellent that they ought to be framed and hung up in every house. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p.

I, 1.

From The Society for the Encouragement of Arts, etc. 1761. July 24. London.

Notice of a Committee meeting to consider further the subject of Ship's Blocks. Printed N. S. Peter Templeman, Secretary. 1 p. I, 2.

From Miss Ralph. 1761. December 31. [London.]

Her father [James Ralph] out of danger, but still very weak. Compliments to Mrs. [Margaret] Stevenson. A. N. in 3d P. I p. I, 3.

From Mr. Mead. 1762. February 25. [London.]

Account of the good effects of electricity, sent by a curate of Dr. Douglass, which Lord Bath wished he might see; desires to know if Dr. Franklin has anything to add to it before publication. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. I, 4.

From Hannah Walker. 1764. December 18. Westbury.

Glad to hear of his safe arrival in London. A. L. S. 1 p. 1, 5.

From [Anthony] Todd. 1764. December 24. [London.]

Desiring an interview to show him the proposed clauses for the intended Act of Parliament. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. 1, 6.

From W[illia]m Neale. 1765. June 27. St. Maryhill.

Promising to send his carriage to convey him and Mrs. [Margaret] Stevenson to Richmond. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. 1, 7.

From [Robert] Charles. [1765.] July 17. London.

Desiring his company at the "Letter Feast," at the King's Arms Tavern, Cornhill. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. I, 8a.

From [Anthony] Todd. 1765. July 18. [London.]

Announcing that Lord Bessborough and Lord Grantham will meet at the [General Post] Office at noon to open their patent. A. L. in 3d P. I p. I, 8b.

From Colonel [Denny. Circa 1765.]

Invitation to dinner at the Star and Garter, Pall Mall, at a crown a head. A. L. in 3d P. I p. I, 9.

From [John] Michell. [Circa 1767.] January 27. [London.]
Invitation to dinner. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. I, 8c.

From Joseph Sherwood. 1767. July 21. London.

Concerning [apparently a land claim] which he is attending to for Dr. Franklin. L. in 3d P. 1 p. I, 10.

From [Messrs.] Hope. [Circa 1767.] Amsterdam.

Invitation to dinner. A. L. S. 1 p. I, 11.

From G[eorge] W[hitefield]. 1768. January 21. [London.]

Desiring another interview. The College affair lies dormant. Prophesies the destruction of the world; hopes they will be among the happy few saved. A. L. S. 2 p. I, 12.

From Thomas Pownall. [Circa 1769.] London.

Invitation to dinner. A. N. in 3d P. I p. I, 8d.

I. 8f.

From Dr. [Richard Huck] Saunders. [Circa 1769.]

Invitation to dinner. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. I, 8e.

From Jos[eph] Galloway. 1770. October 12. Philadelphia.

Introducing Jacob Rush, brother of Dr. [Benjamin] Rush, who desires to complete his law studies at the Temple. A. L. S. 1 p.

I, 13.

From Benjamin Rush. 1770. October 14. Philadelphia.

Introducing his brother [Jacob Rush] who intends to study for two years in the Temple, London, in order to finish his studies in the law. A. L. S. 2 p. I, 14.

From Joseph Sherwood. 1771. February 12. London.

Desiring dates and particulars in the boundary dispute between the Penns and Lord Baltimore. L. S. 1 p. I, 15.

From Miss Jennings. 1771. March 20. [London.]

Sending him a catalogue of the articles desired by herself and M. Conway. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. I, 16.

From [Richard] Jackson.
1771. May 20. [London], General Post Office.

Sending him a piece of elastic gum. A. L. in 3d P. I p.

From [George Montagu,] Duke of Manchester. [Circa 1771.]

Invitation to dinner. L. in 3d P. 1 p. I, 17.

From [John] Walsh. [Circa 1771. London.]

Desiring Mr. [Edward] Bancroft's address; wishes to make inquiries concerning the "torporifick eel." A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. I, 18.

From Mr. and Mrs. [William] Hewson. [Circa 1772.] March 22.

Reminding him of his promise to dine with them. N. in 3d P. 1 p.

I, 19a.

From The Associates of the Late Dr. Bray for Founding Libraries, and Instructing the Negroes in the British Plantations.

[1772. May. London.]

Invitation to dinner at the King's Head Tavern, Holborn, on May 21. Engraved N. 1 p. I, 19b.

From [Jonathan Shipley,] Bishop of St. Asaph. [Circa 1772.]

Will wait upon him the following evening with his family and Lord and Lady Spencer. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p.

1, 20.

From Dr. [William] Heberden. [1774. June. London.]
Invitation to dinner on June 10. Engraved N. 1 p. I, 19c.

From P[eter] Collinson. [Circa 1775.]

Enjoyed his "Vindication [and offer from Congress to Parliament]" very much; it must mortify [Chief Justice William] Allen, for it cuts him to the quick; wishes a copy sent to David Barclay, Jr. A. L. S. I p. I, 21.

From The King of Portugal. 1776. July 5. Lisbon.

An edict prohibiting all intercourse between his dominions and the Rebel American Colonies. D. S. Count de Azambuja, Pres[ident].

2 p. (Copy. Translated into English.)

XII, 1.

From N[oble] W[imberly] Jones. 1776. July 11. Savannah.

Prevented by his father's death and his own illness, from sitting in the Continental Congress. The South not as well prepared for defense as the North; Georgia's need of assistance. Indian massacres. A. L. S. 2 p. I, 22.

From Ant[hon]y Wayne. 1776. October 3. Ticonderoga.

Pleased to hear of the unanimity prevailing in Congress and of the settlement of the boundaries of the various States; glad the Convention is engaged in founding a new Government; surprised at the evacuation of Long Island. Situation of the Americans on Lake Champlain; strength of the British; condition of his brigade. Question of enlistments. A. L. S. 4 p.

I, 23.

From J. de Sparre. 1776. October 28. Strasbourg.

Offering to come to Paris if he can be of any use. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

From The Continental Congress.

1776. December 23. [Philadelphia.]

Resolved that the American Commissioners to France, furnish exact information as to Portugal's attitude towards America; orders to fit out vessels to prey upon British property; concerning a loan of 2,000,000 sterling. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y, John Hancock, Presid[en]t. 2 p. I, 25.

Printed in Journals of Continental Congress, VI, 1035, Washington, 1906.

From The Continental Congress, Committee of Secret Correspondence. 1777. January 1. Baltimore.

Announcing his appointment, by Congress, as their Commissioner to negotiate a Treaty of Friendship and Commerce with the Court of Spain. L. S. Benj[amin] Harrison, Richard Henry Lee, Jno. Witherspoon, Will[iam] Hooper. 1 p. I, 26.

From [Baron de] Rullecour. 1777. January 18. Paris.

Offers for his use a vessel of 64 guns which can be ready to sail in a fortnight; makes a similar offer for the month of May. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

From [Baron de] Rullecour. 1777. January 20. Paris.

Concerning the offer of a vessel to transport goods to America. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) I, 28.

From J. Gruel. 1777. January.

Account of monies paid by him. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

I, 29.

From [J.] de Sparre. 1777. February 28. Strasbourg.

Concerning the raising of troops in Hesse; can secure surgeons for the American army, if desired. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) I, 30. From Arthur Lee. 1777. May 12. Paris.

Giving Dr. Franklin power of attorney to transact all business for him in Paris. D. S. 2 p. (In French.)

I, 31.

From [Madame] Carroll d'Auzouer. 1777. July 4.

Desires a personal interview. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) I, 32.

From —— Pillet. 1777. May I to August 6.

Bills of household expenses, receipted. 48 p. (In French.)

I, 33-38; XII, 2-7.

From _____. 1777. August 25. St. Eustache.

Evacuation of Ticonderoga; [Gen. Arthur] St. Clair and [Gen. Mathieu Alexis de] Rochefermoy blamed. Howe's probable destination. [Gen. Robert] Prescott replaced in Rhode Island by [Gen. Sir Robert] Pigot. L. 2 p. (In French.)

From Marquis Alexandre d'Hanache. 1777. October 27. Paris.

Enclosing a letter for the Comte de Stirling [William Alexander Lord Stirling]. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

I, 40.

From J. I[ngen Housz]. 1777. December 14. Delft.

Has leave of absence to go to Holland and England; desires some political news which may serve to keep his Royal Mistress in good humor. Reflections on the American revolt and England's probable attitude. A. L. S. 3 p. I, 41.

From Silas Deane. 1777. December 29. Passy.

Does not fully understand the enclosed; has gone to consult M. [Conrad Alexandre] Gérard [de Rayneval] about it. A. L. S. 1 p. I, 42.

From ____ Mercier. [1777.]

Desiring payment for his work of repairing arms. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.)

From — Mercier. [1777.]

Begs for a reply to the two petitions he has had the honor of presenting. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) I, 44.

From — Mercier to The American Commissioners. [1777.]

Appeal for payment for the work of repairing muskets. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From ______. [1777.]

Defending Mr. [William] Hodge and requesting his release; [Capt. Gustavus] Conyngham alone to blame. L. 1 p. (In French.)

I, 46.

From ______. [Circa 1777.]

Desires employment in America as military engineer; need of secrecy in his case. L. 2 p. (In French.)

I, 48.

From James Hutton. 1778. January 3. Passy.

Begging him as an humane man to write to his friends in Pennsylvania to use their influence to prevent unauthorized attacks upon Bethlehem; account of an attack made on the village which was repulsed by convalescent soldiers whe were in the military hospitals, and of another in which they dragged a man at a horse's tail from Bethlehem to Easton. A. L. S. 2 p. II, 1.

From Rich[ard] Bache. 1778. January 31. Manheim.

Account of their flight before the British advance at the time of the battle of Brandywine. His wife gave birth to a daughter. Franklin's printing press sold to the State of Virginia. Acknowledges the receipt of the engraver's and potter's performances. The engraver he thinks has paid more attention to the fur cap than to the lines of the face. Theft of a package addressed by Franklin to Congress. Concerning the newspapers then being published. Family affairs. A. L. S. 5 p. II, 2.

From Jno. P[aul] Jones. 1778. February 9. Nantes.

News from America; situation of [Gen.] Washington's and [Sir William] Howe's armies; Jersey militia sent to protect their own country; [Gen.] Burgoyne at Winter Hill; reinforcements for Washington; fall of Howe determined; American army in fine spirits; Continental money appreciating; many prizes brought in; Generals [Horatio] Gates and [Israel] Putnam in command at King's Bridge; [Gen. Sir Henry] Clinton in possession of no post beyond that point. A. L. S. 2 p. II, 3.

From Andrew Christian Knoepffelius. 1778. March 4. Nordshausen.

Desiring the position of Pastor at the German Reformed Church in Philadelphia; offers to come to Paris to see Dr. Franklin. A. L. S. 3 p. (In Latin.)

II, 4.

From Chevalier O'Gorman. 1778. March 10. Tonnerre.

Stating the amount of Dr. Franklin's debt for the rental of a carriage, and for wine used on the journey. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

II, 5.

From — De Bescheloche. 1778. March 12. Saint-Aubin. Bill of duties paid on wine. Printed D. 1 p. (In French.) II, 6.

From — Moreau. 1778. March 13.

Receipt for duties paid on wine. Printed D. 1 p. (In French.)

II, 7.

From — D'Espagne. 1778. March 18. Paris.

Lost his fortune in a law-suit; sends Dr. Franklin a book he has written; if he can be of use to the young American Republic, offers to emigrate there with his son and daughter. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

II, 8.

From Mechia Caph. de Hari. 1778. March 24. Bienne.

In spite of his parents' objections, desires to enter the American army; desires Dr. Franklin's aid. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

II, 9.

From Tho[ma]s Wren. 1778. March 25. Portsmouth.

Writes on behalf of the prisoners, who desire a certain sum per week granted them for food; extortionate charges made by the person who furnishes their meals. A. L. S. 2 p. II, 10.

From Gautier fils. 1778. April 2. Au Cap [François].

Concerning a claim by a man called [Stephen] Ceronio, to be an Agent of Congress; if true, his inability to pay a certain debt reflects upon his Government. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) II, 11.

From [Madame] L'Allemand. 1778. April 9.

Sending a letter for him, committed to her care. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

From _____ D'Espagne. 1778. April 9. Paris.

Desiring the position of French Consul in America. A. L. S. 4 p. (In French.)

From [Edme Jacques] Genet. 1778. April 10. Versailles.

Sends the pretended reply of Great Britain to the Declaration of Independence; too long and erroneous to print; glad to publish any refutation Dr. Franklin may care to prepare. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From Courtney Melmoth. 1778. April 18. [Paris.]

Prevented by sudden business from waiting on him with Mrs. Melmoth. A. L. S. 1 p. II, 15.

From Madame de Laumoy. 1778. April 21. Orleans.

Asking for news of her son, who entered the American service in June, 1776. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.) II, 16.

From J[ohn] D. Schweighauser. 1778. April 23. Nantes.

Introducing his son-in-law, M. Dobrée. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

From J[ohn] Williams. 1778. May 1.

Has been shamefully and designedly deceived; refers Dr. Franklin, for details, to the bearer, Dr. [James] Smith, well-known for his loyalty to America. His own imminent departure. A. L. S. 1 p. II, 18.

From ____ [de] Lugny. 1778. May 5. Bordeaux.

As an experienced military engineer, desires to go to America and serve in the army. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) II, 19.

From — Martin fils to The American Commissioners. 1778. May 6. Marseilles.

Desiring recommendations to merchants in the principal American ports, where he expects to sell his cargoes. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

II, 20.

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From Glèyo La Chesnaÿe. 1778. May 8. L'Orient.

About to sail for America; offers his services. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

From [Aimé Ambroise Joseph] Feutry. 1778. May 8.

Sending a work of his which is out of print; expects to meet him at M. [Le Ray] de Chaumont's dinner; begs for a recommendation to Madame de Thélusson; desires her support for a certain petition. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

From [Edme Jacques] Genet. 1778. May 9. Versailles.

Promising to use the Resolution of Congress of December 19th. Sends a list of eleven ships, ordered by the British to watch the movements of the French. Arrival of important dispatches at St. James's [Palace, London] from France on May 3d, which were immediately sent to the King, at Portsmouth. A. L. S. 4 p. II, 23.

From [Comtesse] de Broglie de Lameth. 1778. May 10. Dourier.

Writes on behalf of the Chevalier de Bazantin, who was captured by the English on his way to join the American troops; asks that he may be exchanged and given a position worthy of his talents. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From Thomas Cushing. 1778. May 13. Boston.

Rejoices with him over the consummation of the two treaties with France; while still ignorant of this alliance, Congress passed resolutions which did them much honor. Acknowledging his kindness to the writer's son [Thomas Cushing, Jr.,] now in France. A. L. S. 2 p. (In duplicate.)

II, 25 and 26.

From S[amuel] C[ooper]. 1778. May 13. Boston.

Congratulates him upon the consummation of the French treaties; gave public thanks from his pulpit; before this alliance was known, Congress had done itself much honor by its spirited rejection of Lord Howe's peace proposals. A. L. S. 2 p. II, 27.

From S[amuel] C[ooper]. 1778. May 14. Boston.

Joy in America over the news of the French treaties. Glowing prophesies of what a French fleet in the Delaware could accomplish. A. L. S. 2 p. II, 28.

From W[illia]m Carmichael. 1778. May 14. Boston.

Arrival of the "Deane" on May 1st, also the two ships loaded by Mr. [John] Ross on account of Congress; the country rejoiced over the French Alliance; expense incurred through the late arrival of the clothing. Distress caused by the depreciation of paper money. Incidents of his voyage; difficulties and expense of travelling. Size of American army. High esteem in which [Marquis de] la Fayette, Count Pulaski, Chevalier de Bertail and Gen. [Thomas] Conway are held. A. L. S. 3 p. II, 29.

From James Lovell. 1778. May 15. York.

His letter concerning Mr. [Silas] D[eane] read in Congress; reasons why Congress regarded Deane's recall as imperative; his services not underestimated; believes he may return with honor, on a mission to Holland. A. L. S. 3 p. II, 30.

From J[onathan] Williams, [Jr.]. 1778. May 18. Brest.

Promising, as far as possible, to avoid any dispute with Mr. [William] Lee's deputy. Encloses a letter from Lieut. [Thomas] Simpson, who is under arrest and wishes to be sent to America for trial. A. L. S. 2 p. II, 31.

From [Pahin Champlain de] la Blancherie. 1778. May 19. [Paris.]

Soliciting his support for the plan he intends presenting to the Academy on the morrow. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) II, 32.

From Anisson Duperon. 1778. May 22. [Paris.]

Reminding him of his promise to dine with him and visit the Royal Printing Office. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.) II, 33.

From P[eter] Allaire. 1778. May 22. Calais.

Just arrived from England; all the fleet in the Downs under way; the twelve ships of the line at St. Helen's have probably sailed too.

A. L. S. I p.

II, 34.

From Lowendal, C[om]tesse de Brancas. 1778. May 23. Paris.

Desires to enlist his interest in behalf of [the Chevalier d'Abezac,] a young French Corporal who wishes to serve in the American army. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

II, 35.

From [Charles Grant,] Le V [icom] te de Vaux. 1778. May 25. Paris.

Desiring to know if the two vessels the "Lion" and "de Vaux" are among the number taken by the English. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From [Etienne François,] Marquis Turgot. 1778. May 26.

Desiring letters of introduction to prominent people in Charleston, for M. Roulhac who intends to establish a commercial house in that city; withdrawing his previous request for letters for M. [Menedrieu] de Barcis. L. in 3d P. 2 p. (In French.)

From [Barbeu] Dubourg. 1778. May 26. Paris.

Enclosing a letter from M. [Thomas François] Busson, recommended to Dr. Franklin by M. Dalibard. Question whether hernia, especially umbillical hernia, is as common in America as it is in Europe; advisability of sending samples of bandages or trusses. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

From Jerome Cazeneuve. 1778. May 27. Bordeaux.

Account of a projected meeting on board the "Boston," to betray the frigate; with the consent of the Captain, he acted as a spy upon the conspirators. L. S. 5 p. II, 39.

From [Pahin Champlain de] la Blancherie. 1778. May 27. College of Bayeux.

Entreats Dr. Franklin to be present at the meeting of the Académie des Sciences, as he fears some hostile action on the part of his enemies, which would destroy the work of years. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

II, 40.

From L. Duran. 1778. May 29. St. Affrique.

Desiring information for the use of several young Frenchmen who intend going into business in America. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

II, 41.

From [Jean Baptiste] Le Roy. 1778. May.

Requesting a letter of recommendation for a rich and worthy merchant of Bretagne, M. Lalande Robinot, who is ready to send a vessel to America. A. L. 2 p. (In French.)

II, 42.

From [A.] Borel. 1778. June 1.

Desiring him to appoint a time when he may make his portrait. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) II, 43.

From Sam[ue]1 Cooper. 1778. June 1. Boston.

Public honors paid to France. Conciliatory proposals by the British; at the same time they made a barbarous attack upon Bristol; rumored that the British are to leave Philadelphia. Spirit in the American army. Burgoyne tried by court-martial, a favor he did not deserve. The proposed Constitution rejected; reasons for this. Mr. [John] Adams sailed for France in February; the ship reported captured. A. L. S. 4 p. (A. Copy.)

From Ch[evalie]r de Brétigney. 1778. June 1. Cap François.

Free again after six months in a British prison; expects to serve in the Georgia troops under the command of one of his friends. Glad to learn of the Franco-American Alliance. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From — de Rochefermoy. 1778. June 2. Nancy.

Report circulated by the Gazette of Leyden that the American officers at Ticonderoga were bribed by the British; as this reflects severely on his father [Mathieu-Alexis de Rochefermoy], Brigadier-General at Ticonderoga, begs Dr. Franklin to deny the report. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From [Edme Jacques] Genet. 1778. June 5. Versailles.

Hears that he has received a bundle of newspapers from America; will be glad to translate and print any extracts he may deem desirable. A. L. S. I p. II, 47.

From ——— de St. Montant. 1778. June 8. Paris.
Requesting an interview. A. L. S. 1 p. II, 48.

From ____ Desnos. 1778. June 10.

Desires to enter the American army; asks for a free passage. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From — Mesny. 1778. June 14. Roquancourt.

Supporting a petition of Madame de Poulinet de Besançon; particular interest taken by M. de la Faye in the lady. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

From Rudolphe Ernest Hartmann. 1778. June 15. Amsterdam.

Requesting information about Baron Hermann de Zedewitz, who stole a quantity of gems from the writer, in London, and then fled to America; Zedwitz's subsequent career in the American army; since May, 1777, has heard nothing of him. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

II, 51.

From [Edme Jacques] Genet. 1778. June 17. Versailles.

Desiring him to reply to an English attack on the Declaration of Independence; if he is too busy, will write it himself. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

II, 52.

From [Pahin Champlain de la] Blancherie. 1778. June 17. College de Bayeux.

Desiring his presence at the Academy to see the model of a piece of sculpture relating to North America. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

II, 53.

From ____ Lainneville. 1778. June 17. Brest.

Sends a package and letters received for him at Boston; refers him to them for American news. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) II, 54.

From — Delos. 1778. June 19. Strasbourg.

The Government unable to co-operate with [Capt. Jacques] Le Maire, purchasing agent for the United States, without a letter from the Minister of War. Recommending a young officer, M. Marcellin, for a position in the American army. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

II, 55.

From P. Huerne. 1778. June 20. Paris.

Desiring to go to America, under his patronage. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From [John Hyacinth de] Magellan. 1778. June 20. Paris.

About to leave [for London]; good wishes for Dr. Franklin's welfare and for the glorious cause. Praise for the President de Saron and all his family. A. L. S. 3 p.

II, 57.

From A. Bouget. 1778. June 24. Morat.

Lost all his fortune in a Colonial indigo plantation; applies for assistance. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) II, 58.

From [Edme Jacques] Genet. 1778. June 24. Versailles.

Has made extracts for his paper and has then sent the letters to Comte de Vergennes. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) II, 59.

From — Missa. 1778. June 24. Paris.

Inviting him and his grandson to dinner. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) II, 60.

From [Madame] Dauber de Peyrelongue.

1778. June 25. Marmande.

Begging him to secure the release of her son who is held a prisoner by the British at St. Augustine. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

II, 61.

From Rudolphe Ernest Hartmann. 1778. June 25. Amsterdam.

Distressing situation of himself and family; begs him to secure the payment of the debt mentioned in a former letter. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

II, 62.

From Benj[amin] Bristow. 1778. June 26. Paris.

Asking for the address of Mr. Samuel Adams. A. L. in 3d P. I p. II, 63.

From — Le Roux. 1778. June 27. Paris.

Requesting his presence at a meeting of the College of Bayeux; will read a poem, addressed to the King, on the hostilities of the English. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

II, 64.

From [Pierre Jean Etienne] Mauduit [de la Varenne]. 1778. June 28.

Announcing a postponement of the public meeting of the Royal Society of Medicine. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) II, 65.

From [Antoine] Court de Gebelin. 1778. June 29. [Paris.]

Inviting him and his family to be guests of honor at a banquet to be given at Passy by La Loge des Neuf Soeurs. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

II, 66.

From [George Adam] Junker. 1778. July 1. Paris.

Desires to communicate something concerning the United States. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) II, 67.

From [Pahin Champlain de] la Blancherie. 1778. July 2. College of Bayeux.

Feels assured that the establishment for which he solicits aid will be a success, and that its income will always exceed its expenses. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

II, 68.

From —— Richard. 1778. July 2. Paris.

Asking for news of M. Lebon. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

II, 69.

From [Claude Caeloman de] Ruthiere. [1778.] July 3.

Reasons why he desires the immediate return of his History of Anarchy in Poland. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.) II, 70.

From [Claude Caeloman de] Ruthiere. [1778.] Saturday. July 4.

Desiring the return of his Mss., History of Anarchy, sent for Dr.

Franklin's inspection. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.) II, 71.

From — De Bout. 1778. July 4. Paris.

Desiring the return of a letter from the Chevalier de Bazantin, together with one from the Comtesse de Lameth. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

II, 72.

From Marc F[ranç]ois Gauthier. 1778. July 5. Brest.

Accused of passing counterfeit money and sentenced to the galleys for life; declares his innocence; begs Dr. Franklin to procure his release and allow him to enter the United States navy. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From [Edme Jacques] Genet. [1778.] July 10. V[ersai]lles.

News from America; rumors of the evacuation of Philadelphia; announcement in the *Courier de l'Europe* of a Committee appointed by Congress to treat with the English for peace; desires authority to stigmatize this report as a lie. A. L. S. 4 p. II, 74.

From — De Bout. 1778. July 12. Paris.

Returning the Chevalier de Bazantin's letter; forwarded Dr. Franklin's letter to Madame de Broglie, Comtesse de Lameth. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

From [Madame] Herbaut de Marcenay. Circa 1778. July 12. Epinay.

Expressing Mme. de Breget's acknowledgments and her regret at being unable to accept his invitation to dinner. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

II, 76.

From — Martin. 1778. July 14. Dunkirk.

Desiring news of his son who left Nantes on March 12th for America. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) II, 77.

From M. Faure, Donneau & Co. 1778. July 15. Marseilles.

Desiring to know the truth of the report of the capture of the "Elégante" by the English ship "Emerald," and the decision of the Congress of Williamsburg to repay Capt. Collineau of the "Elégante," owing to treachery having been used in the capture. A. L. S. Le Fort. 2 p. (In French.)

From [Marquis] Alexandre d'Hanache. 1778. July 18. Paris.

Expressing a desire for a personal meeting; sent letters to be forwarded to his relative, Count Sterling [William Alexander, Earl of Stirling]; thinks by this time the answers should have arrived. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

From Plombard & Legris. 1778. July 28. Nantes.

Sends a bill of Henry Laurens for acceptance; M. Plombard going to America on business; offers his services. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From Comte de Conwa(i)[y]. 1778. August 3.

Wishes to call on Dr. Franklin and Mr. [John] Adams and present M. de Brion and the Chevalier Alexandre d'Hanache; M. de Brion about to start for San Domingo. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.)

II, 81.

From [Pahin Champlain de] la Blancherie. 1778. August 5. Paris.

Urging his presence at an approaching meeting of that establishment which he has so generously patronized. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

II, 82.

From [Pahin Champlain de] la Blancherie. 1778. August 17.

Inviting him to a meeting on the following day. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

II, 83.

From — Henry. 1778. August 23. Madrid.

Ardent desire to enter the American service as engineer; account of his previous work; begs Dr. Franklin to help him. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

A. E. by Dr. Franklin. "The Commissioners have no orders to send more engineers; when they have, his application will be considered."

II, 84.

From — Droüet. 1778. August 24. Paris.

Desires an interview. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) II, 85.

From Odolant Desnos. 1778. August 28. Alençon.

His only son has disappeared with the money given him to take his degree in medicine at the University of Paris; has probably assumed a false name; begs Dr. Franklin to find him. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From — De La Faye. 1778. August 30. Paris.

Requesting an answer to M. Ponteney's proposal to furnish supplies for America.

A. E. by Dr. Franklin. Orders for America all filled; recommends M. Ponteney to correspond with Mr. [Jonathan] Williams, [Jr.], at Nantes. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From Joseph Ruault Duplacy. 1778. September 21. Saint Brieuc.

Has had thirteen years' experience on board British vessels; wishes to secure a position on one of the ships at Nantes. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From L. Laffitte, L[aurens] & F[rançoi]s Mongin and [Jacques] Fraissignea. 1778. October 2. Alresford, Hampshire.

Captured at sea in October, 1777; endured cruel treatment in a British prison until released on parole; desire to be exchanged. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From Dan[ie]1 Hopkins. 1778. October 23. Boston.

Begging his influence to secure the release of the writer's brotherin-law, John Palmer, who has been a prisoner in England for eighteen months. A. L. S. I p. II, 89.

From [Edme Jacques] Genet. 1778. December 4. V[ersai]lles.

The King of England's speech, with an abstract of the debates in both Houses, will appear on the morrow; has treated the lie about Gen. Washington as it deserved. A. L. S. I p. II, 90.

From The Navy Board, Eastern Department.

1778. December 21. Boston.

Orders for Capt. [Pierre] Landais, of the "Alliance," relative to his passenger, the Marquis de la Fayette; instructions covering his movements during the voyage to France and upon his arrival there. A. L. S. W[illia]m Vernon, Pres[iden]t, J[ohn] Deshon. 3 p.

II, 91.

From — Deinet. [Circa 1778.] Frankfort-on-Main.

Sends a book of which other copies may be ordered, if so desired. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

From [Emmanuel Pierre] De La Plaigne. [Circa 1778.]

Introducing Messrs. [Charles] Armand and de Guäy, two Captains of artillery whom he has enlisted in the service of Georgia; well pleased with his recruits. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) II, 93.

From Jean Baptiste Dubois. Circa 1778.

His service in the French army; desires to be a Second Lieutenant in the United States army. L. in 3d P. 2 p. (In French.) II, 94.

From [Ferdinand] Grand. [Circa 1778. Paris.]

Concerning Dr. Franklin's indebtedness for books and for a sum sent to Mr. W[illia]m Hodgson on behalf of the American prisoners. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. II, 95.

From — Keay. Circa 1778. [Paris.]

Enclosing an account of an accident in Philadelphia; the lightningrods upon the house were certainly put up subsequent to the accident. A. L. in 3d P. I p. II, 96.

From W. Wildrik. 1778. Namur.

Begging him once again to reply to his letters. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) II, 97.

From A[rthur] Lee. 1779. January 24. Chaillot.

M. [Ferdinand] Grand probably has the public papers he desires. Encloses Mr. [Silas] Deane's remarks. A. L. S. 1 p. III, 1.

From B. B-d [Thomas Digges]. 1779. January 31.

Hails with delight the disputes and discussions in America; opportunity to accelerate the subjugation of the revolted Colonies. Sorry to report successes by the French privateers. Sketches Lord Shelburne's future policy with respect to America; his own ability to aid him. Concerning the offers made by the Administration [in England] to purchase French neutrality in the present contest. A. L. S. 2 p. III, 2.

From Mrs. Gibbes and Miss Stevens. 1779. February 2. Calais.

Prevented from paying their respects by the indisposition of Mrs. Gibbes; compliments to Mr. [John] Adams. L. in 3d P. I p.

III, 3.

From Stephen Hills and five other Officers of the "Alliance."
1779. February 2. Brest Harbor.

Desiring to be furnished with clothing and money; their monthly pay wholly inadequate. L. S. 3 p. III, 4.

From T[homas] D[igges]. 1779. February 7. B[risto]l.

News from England; a fleet ready to sail from the West Indies. A regiment to be sent to Quebec to keep patriotic Canadians quiet. The British Ministry steering between peace and war; rumored changes in the Ministry. Stocks affected by reports of disunion in America; Americans expected to propose terms short of independence. No indication that [Arthur] Lee now has improper communications with Lord Shelburne. Exorbitant prices in America; suggestions for relief. A. L. S. 3 p.

III, 5.

From S[ilas] Deane. 1779. February 7. Philadelphia.

Introducing Major Montford, who served with distinction in America under Count Pulaski. A. L. S. 1 p. III, 6.

From Stephen Hills and six other Officers of the "Alliance." 1779. February 7. Brest.

Desiring the money promised them for their necessary expenses when they should reach France. L. S. 1 p. XII, 10.

From P[ierre] Landais. 1779. February 8.

Asking that the French authorities may have everything ready in the harbor for repairing the ship. A. L. S. 1 p. III, 7.

From Aquila Johns. 1779. February 10. On board the "Buckskin."

Certifying to his capture of the English privateer "Spy"; gives the parole of the "Spy's" officers and crew. A. L. S. XII, 11.

From N[athan] Blodget, Purser of the "Alliance." 1779. February 27. Brest.

A list of articles ordered for transportation to America on board the "Alliance." A. L. S. 2 p. • XII, 12.

From [Ferdinand] Grand. 1779. March 2. Passy.

The return of bills from Congress would be more of a blow to the United States than the loss of Georgia. Question of the American Commissioners being allowed to draw upon French banks. A. L. 2 p. (In French.)

From Benjamin Pierce and twelve other Petty Officers of the "Alliance." 1779. March 3. Brest.

Complaining that Capt. [Pierre] Landais has not paid them their wages and has not furnished sufficient provisions; the petitioners in great need of clothing. L. S. 2 p. III, 9.

From A[rthur] Lee. 1779. March 26. Paris.

Enclosing an account of Mr. [John D.] Schweighauser, which he has found among his papers. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. III, 10.

From Jacques Faynard. 1779. March 29. Paris.

Has invented a powder for stopping hemorrhages both internal and external; invites him to be present at a trial of it, to be made before some members of the Academy of Surgery. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

III. 11.

From [Mathieu] Tillet. 1779. April 7. Paris.

Invitation to dine with M. Amelot, President of the Académie des Sciences, on the day of the public meeting when Dr. Franklin will read one of the papers. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) III, 12.

From — Boule. 1779. April 8. Paris.

Has taken money with which he was entrusted; begs Dr. Franklin to keep this confession secret; promises to repay the money in six months and to show his repentence by his future conduct. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From Chevalier de Keralio. 1779. April 17.

Inviting him and his grandson to dinner on the 22d. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From James Lovell. 1779. April 29. Philadelphia.

Hopes that he has received his appointment as Minister Plenipotentiary to France. [Silas] Deane's recall necessary. Arthur Lee's destruction determined upon by a party in America. Urges him to write frequently to Congress in order to show that there is more than one man [Deane] in the universe who can please the Court of France. In the bitter discussions in America, Franklin has not escaped censure. A. L. S. 3 p. (A. Copy.)

From V. I. D-d [Thomas Digges]. 1779. May 18.

Gen. [Sir William] Howe's evidence yet before the House; likelihood of the Ministry abandoning the idea of America's subjugation. A. L. S. I p. III, 16.

From [Comte de Vergennes]. 1779. June 1. Versailles.

Questions which must be answered before a passport can be issued for Messrs. [Sir William] Jones and [John] Paradise. A. L. I p. (In French.)

From Stephen Hills and Joseph Adams.

1779. June 8. On board the "Alliance," L'Orient.

Capt. John Paul Jones has tried in vain to influence [Capt. Pierre] Landais to do right; obliged to resign their position as officers, owing to the manner in which Capt. Landais governs the ship. L. S. 2 p.

III, 18.

From The Continental Congress. 1779. June? Philadelphia.

Enclosing Acts of Congress of June 5th and 10th by which Dr. Franklin is directed to pay certain sums to M. [Pierre Augustin Caron de] Beaumarchais for supplies purchased and sent to America. L. S. John Jay, Presid[en]t. 2 p. III, 19.

From Peter Vesey et al. 1779. July 8. Boling.

Released from an English prison, only to be recaptured and imprisoned by the French; beg to be sent home to their families in America. L. S. 3 p. III, 20.

From The Continental Congress, Committee of Foreign Affairs. 1779. June 13, July 9, 16. Philadelphia.

Resolution of Congress, calling upon the Commissioners for information of their proceedings with M. [Pierre Augustin Caron de] Beaumarchais; sends journals and gazettes. Query whether no American privateer will retaliate on the coast of England for outrages committed by Great Britain on the American coast. Gen. [Benjamin] Lincoln's militia did well in the attack on [Gen. Augustine] Prevost. A. L. S. James Lovell. 4 p. (In quadruplicate.)

From The Continental Congress, Commercial Committee.

1779. July 21. Philadelphia.

Requesting Dr. Franklin not to permit bills from Oliver Pollock, Continental Agent at New Orleans to be protested. L. S. Fra[ncis] Lewis. 2 p. (In duplicate.) III. 22.

From James Lovell. 1779. August 6, September 16. Philadelphia.

Complains of the few letters received from him. [Silas] Deane's publication of December 5th, full of lies; believes he has ruined his chance of public usefulness. No longer any distinction in America between the Ministry and the people of England; from King to soot-boy they wish to say "Our Colonies." A. L. S. 4 p. (In triplicate.) III, 23.

From The Continental Congress.

1779. September 28. [Philadelphia.]

Announcing the election of Samuel Huntington as President of Congress. A. L. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. I p. III, 24.

From The Continental Congress.

1779. August 6, September 29. [Philadelphia.]

Resolutions relative to the [American] Commissioners' Accounts. L. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. I p. III, 25.

Printed in Journals of Congress, Philadelphia, 1782, V, 308, 309, 373.

From — Vines and other Officers of the "Vengeance." 1779. October 26. On board the "Vengeance."

Certifying to Capt. [Pierre] Landais's refusal to obey orders. D. S. I p. (In French. Copy.) III, 26.

From Philippe [Nicolas] Ricot. 1779. October 28. Texel.

Certifying to insubordination on the part of Capt. [Pierre] Landais on several specified occasions. D. S. 2 p. (In French. Copy.)

III, 27.

From The Officers of the American Squadron.

1779. October 30. Texel.

Testimony of officers on the "Alliance," "Pallas" and "Bon Homme Richard," supporting the charges made by [John Paul] Jones against [Pierre] Landais. D. S. 7 p. (Copy.) III, 28.

From Henry Laurence and Others.

1779. November 2. Mill Prison, Plymouth.

Complain of having been cruelly confined for over two years; appeal to him for relief. L. S. 2 p. III, 29.

From — Ladixmerie and other Officers of the Loge des Neuf Soeurs. 1779. November 10. Paris.

Urging him to be present at their public fête; nothing else could give the meeting such éclat. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) III, 30.

From T[homas] Digges. 1779. November 15. London.

Introducing M. Fabroni and M. Fontana, two learned young Italian travellers. A. L. S. 1 p. III, 31.

From ——— la Hune. 1779. November 15. Passy.

Tailor's bill receipted. Mem. 2 p. (In French.) III, 32.

From [Denis-Nicolas] Cottineau de Kloguen[e]. 1779. November 24.

Complaining of the conditions on board the "Serapis"; equipments, food and irons for the prisoners lacking; the ship unseaworthy. L. S. 4 p. (In French. Copy.)

From Donald Forbes [Thomas Digges]. 1779. December 3. Stepney.

Moneys paid out for Dr. Franklin; cool attitude of Messrs. [John] J[ay] and [Arthur] L[ee]. American news in England; position of the British troops. Less talk of vigorously prosecuting the American war, in spite of Lord North's speech; report that "through the wicked machinations of Dr. Franklin, a very good understanding exists between Ireland and the Rebel Congress." A. L. S. 3 p. III, 34.

From Baron d'Arendt. [1779.]

Wishes to be paid the 25 louis d'or promised him by Mr. William Lee, as per enclosed letter [copy, I p.] for purchasing supplies; has overstaid his furlough from his regiment in Virginia, in order to discharge this commission; begs Dr. Franklin to give him a line explaining the delay. A. L. in 3d P. I p. (In French.) III, 35 and 36.

From Le Ray de Chaumont. [1778-1779.]

A statement of the receipts and expenditures on account of the United States in France. A. N. 1 p. (In French.) XII, 13.

From ——— Chaumont, Secretaire General des Hussards. Circa 1779.

Sends a petition from a German Prince, who wishes his name withheld until an answer is received. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

III, 37.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. January 1. Nantes.

Description of the hats, shoes and hose to be purchased for Congress; desires to know what the uniform is to be. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 1.

From The Continental Congress. 1780. January 4. Philadelphia.

Directing him to apply to the French Court for aid in securing the exchange of Henry Laurens. Similar directions sent to John Jay.

A. L. S. Sam[uel] Huntington, President. 1 p. XII, 14.

From The Admiralty Court of France.

1780. January 5. Morlaix.

Official report of the character and cargo of the prize "James and Thomas" taken by the American ship, "Black Prince" and brought to Morlaix. D. S. Ringuin, Griffin. 3 p. (In French.) IV, 2.

From The Admiralty Court of France. 1780. January 5. Morlaix.

Testimony of François Fick concerning the capture of the prize "James and Thomas" by the "Black Prince"; [extract from the reports]. D. S. Ringuin and others. 2 p. (In French.)

IV, 3.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. January 10. Nantes.

Desiring information about the clothing for 15,000 men, which he is getting ready in accordance with the plan of Dr. Franklin and M. de Chaumont. A. L. S. 3 p. IV, 4.

From The Admiralty Court of France.

1780. January 11, 12. Morlaix.

Official report of invoicing and sealing the cargo of the British prize, "Camden," taken by the American ship, "Black Princess." [Extract from the minutes.] A. D. S. Le Ridelle, 4 p. (In French.)

IV, 5.

From The Admiralty Court of France.

1780. January 13. Morlaix.

Testimony of Robert Storey concerning the capture of the English vessel, "Camden," by the "Black Princess." [Extract from the Court Record.] A. D. S. Le Ridelle. 3 p. (In French.) IV, 6.

From The Admiralty Court of France.

1780. January 13. Morlaix.

Testimony of Thomas Borch, a British prisoner, concerning the capture of the "Camden" by the "Black Princess." [Extract from the Minutes.] A. D. S. Le Ridelle. 3 p. (In French.) IV, 7.

From The Admiralty Court of France.

1780. January 13. Morlaix.

Testimony of Abraham Needam concerning the capture of the "Camden" by the "Black Princess." D. S. Le Ridelle. 4 p. (In French.)

IV, 8.

From The Admiralty Court of France.

1780. January 18. [Morlaix.]

Concerning a protection from imprisonment of nine men and one cabin boy on board the "Camden." D. S. Le Bitter, Interpreter. 3 p. (In French.)

From The Admiralty Court of France.

1780. January 19. Morlaix.

Testimony of John Hunt concerning the prize "James and Thomas" taken by the "Black Prince." [Extract from the Minutes.] D. S. Ringuin, Griffin. 3 p. (In French.) IV, 10.

From — Ringuin. 1780. January 21. [Morlaix.]

Sends the testimony concerning the capture of the "James and Thomas" by the "Black Prince." A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

IV, 11.

From — Chaumont. 1780. January 27. Paris.

Concerning the proposal of a German Prince to furnish a regiment of soldiers for the American service. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

IV. 12.

From J[onathan] Williams, Jr. 1780. February 1. Nantes.

Enclosing a letter from Capt. [John] Manley, now in Mill Prison. Has drawn on M. [Le Ray] de Chaumont for money. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 13.

From ____ Ringuin. 1780. February 2. Morlaix.

Sends the testimong concerning the capture of the English ship, "Camden," by the "Black Princess." A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

IV. 14.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. February 19. Nantes.

Business of shipping goods to America; orders of Congress concerning the clothing, conflict with the orders given by [Marquis de] la Fayette. A. L. S. 4 p. IV, 15.

From John Williams. 1780. February 26. Nantes.

Indignantly denies that he was in communication with the British Government, while in England; wishes to go to America and share the fate of his countrymen. A. L. S. 1 p. IV, 16.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. February 26. Nantes.

Begs Dr. Franklin to deny the report that his Uncle [John Williams] was in communication with the British Government while in London. Reported capture of six British transports bound from New York, with provisions for the garrison at Penobscot. A. L. S. 4 p. IV, 17.

From — Materre. 1780. February 29.

Requesting news of Jacques Materre who sailed from Bordeaux on March 22, 1777, for the United States in order to enter the army. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

IV, 18.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. March 5. Nantes.

Introducing Mr. [George] Mason, [Jr.], of Virginia. A. L. S. Ip.

I p. IV, 19.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. March 7. Nantes.

Concerning the shipment of clothing to Rochelle. Requests a passage to America for his Uncle [John Williams] and for Mr. [Joseph] Gridley, whose health requires his return. Asks for the receipt for Crown Soap. A. L. S. 3 p. IV, 20.

From W[illia]m Alexander. 1780. March 19. Paris.

Certifying to being present at a conversation between Mr. [William] Pult[e]ney and Dr. Franklin, when the former made proposals for a reconciliation with America. A. D. S. 2 p. (Copy.) IV, 21.

From Jean Rousseau. 1780. March 25. Geneva.

Writes on behalf of a person who wishes employment as Secretary. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. March 27. Nantes.

Concerning the terms agreed upon with M. [Le Ray] de Chaumont for shipping freight to America. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 23.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1780. March 30. Nantes.

Question of duties on goods sent to America. Desires a letter of recommendation to the President of the Congress for his Uncle [John Williams], who is about to sail, stating that he has not been employed by the English King since his commission in America, ten years ago; that he has been in France eighteen months and that Dr. Franklin wishes him to be received by his countrymen. A. L. S. 3 p. IV, 24.

From [Comte de] Sarsfield. 1780. March 31. Paris.

Desiring to know the whereabouts of a M. d'Orbrais, who went to America on a mission for Dr. Franklin; gave him a commission also, but has heard nothing from him. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

IV, 25.

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1780. March 31. Philadelphia.

The high esteem in which he holds both [Silas] Deane and Dr. Franklin; considers the former a martyr to the cause of America; his own embittering experience as a public officer. A. L. S. 4 p.

IV, 26.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. April 6. Nantes.

Concerning the shipment of supplies at Brest. Report that the State of Maryland had taken some notice of him, as regards the management of their funds in England; desires further particulars. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 27.

From James [Arthur] Degge, et al., of the "Alliance." 1780. April 12. On board the "Alliance," L'Orient.

Stating their destitute condition; have received neither wages nor prize-money; their debts unpaid, and the ship almost ready to sail. L. S. 2 p. IV, 28.

From Jacob Nuter, et al., of the crew of the "Alliance." 1780. April 14. L'Orient.

Petition to have their wages and prize-money paid in France, rather than in America. L. S. 3 p. IV, 29.

From Jno. P[aul] Jones. 1780. April 18. Passy.

Stating what rights the two privateers, the "Monsieur" and "La Grandville" have in the distribution of prizes. L. S. 2 p. IV, 30.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. April 18. Nantes.

Forwards a list of articles sent to Brest for shipment. A. L. S. I p. IV, 31.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. April 22. Nantes.

News from America; [Gen. Sir Henry] Clinton has at last appeared in South Carolina. Fears for the fate of the "Mercury" which bore Dr. Franklin's despatches. The Farmers-General to make an arrangement with the writer concerning duties. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 32.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1780. May 6. Nantes.

Useless to send any more clothing to Brest, until transportation to America can be secured. A. L. S. 1 p. IV, 33.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. May 10. Nantes.

Asking him to procure the exchange of a solitary English prisoner who was left out of the cartels. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 34.

From Jean Rousseau. 1780. May 16. Geneva.

Desires a reply to his former letter, enclosing a memorial on the subject of American Independence. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

IV, 35.

From The Continental Congress. 1780. May 19. Philadelphia.

Resolution concerning drafts on Dr. Franklin and [John] Jay. Extract from the Minutes. L. S. James Lovell and W[illia]m Churchill Houston. 1 p. IV, 36.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. May 20. Nantes.

Discusses ways and means of shipping the supplies for the American army; poor quality of French shoes. Report from Philadelphia that up to March 18th, General [Sir Henry] Clinton had done nothing; the American force opposed to him numbered 7,000. A. L. S. 4 p.

IV, 37.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1780. May 26. Nantes.

Objecting to the order of the French Government to pay export duties; desires such explanations made as will free him from payment. Capt. Kendrick, a prisoner, wishes his board paid so that he may return to America. A. L. S. 2 p.

IV, 38.

From James Warren, et al., of the "Alliance." 1780. May 31. L'Orient.

Asking for their wages and prize-money and requesting to have their ship sent back to America; begs to know the answer to Dr. Franklin's memorial to the Court of Denmark, concerning the prize-vessels. Regretting that Capt. [Pierre] Landais is deprived of his command as his offense, as charged, reflects seriously upon his officers. L. S. 3 p. XII, 15.

From J. Watkins, et al., of the crew of the "Alliance." 1780. June 1. L'Orient.

Sending an impudent paper, signed by 115 men of the "Alliance," in which they demand their prize-money and Capt. Pierre Landais's restoration to his command. L. 3 p. XII, 16.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. June 5. Nantes.

Advising the purchase of a ship to carry the stores to America. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 39.

From James [Arthur] Degge, et al., of the "Alliance." 1780. June 7. L'Orient.

Asking to have Capt. [Pierre] Landais restored to the command of the "Alliance." L. S. 2 p. IV, 40.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. June 9. Nantes.

Enclosing a petition from some French merchants who are charged with giving an erroneous estimate on tobacco shipped to them; desires him to sanction the petition and send it to M. [Jacques] Necker. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 41.

From — Destouches. 1780. June 10. Dunkirk.

Transmits a copy of the Admiralty Proceedings upon the prizes "Le Pierre" and "L'Amité" taken by the American corsair, the "Black Prince." A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

IV, 42.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. June 14. Nantes.

Capt. [John Paul] Jones gone to Paris with news of the revolution on board the "Alliance." The "Serapis" to be sold; question of the French Government buying it and permitting it to be used to send supplies to America. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 43.

From P[ierre] Landais. 1780. June 16. L'Orient.

Has resumed command of the "Alliance"; sends a copy of his commission to show that he is within his rights; asks for orders concerning the arms on board the "Alliance"; offers to execute any commissions for Dr. Franklin in America. L. S. 2 p. IV, 44.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1780. June 19. L'Orient.

Introducing Dr. John Foulke and Mr. [George] Fox, of Philadelphia. A. L. S. 1 p. IV, 45.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. June 21. L'Orient.

Capt. [John Paul] Jones can regain the "Alliance" only by capture; question of transporting the 4,000 suits of clothes. Arrival of Marquis de la Fayette in Boston. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 46.

From [Comte] de Vergennes. 1780. July 31. Versailles.

Concerning the correspondence between himself and Mr. [John] Adams; desires it transmitted to Congress in order that they may judge of Mr. Adams's fitness for his present delicate mission. L. S. I p. (In French. Copy.)

From [Denis-Nicolas Cottineau de Kloguene. 1780. June-July?]

Concerning certain observations of John Paul Jones, printed in the Gazette of Amsterdam and Leyden, relative to the encounter between the American ships and the English frigates, the "Serapis" and the "Countess of Scarborough"; contradicts many of Jones's statements; condemns his plan of battle and his treatment of the wounded. A. L. 5 p. (In French.)

IV, 48.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. August 3. Nantes.

No word from [Le Ray] de Chaumont concerning the purchase of the ship at Bordeaux. Promises to delay drawing bills as much as possible. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 49.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. August 28. Nantes. Introducing Jeremiah Allen, of Boston. A. L. S. 1 p. IV, 50.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. August 29. Nantes.

Introducing Mrs. William Blake, of South Carolina, and her children, and asking for passports to England for them. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 51.

From — Fournier le jeune. 1780. September 4.

Asking him to appoint a convenient time to go and hear the organ.

A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

IV, 52.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1780. September 26. Nantes.

Detailed account of loading a ship at l'Orient with a cargo, including saltpetre, destined for America. A. L. S. 3 p. IV, 53.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1780. September 28. Nantes.

Requesting a passport for George Moore, son of Philip Moore, of Philadelphia, who wishes to visit his grandfather in the Isle of Man. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 54-

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1780. September 30. Nantes.

Question of how to transfer the saltpetre from St. Malo to l'Orient, for shipment on the "Breton." Capt. Samson returned without doing anything. Extravagant ideas about the money to be borrowed in Europe. A. L. S. 3 p.

IV, 55.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. October 7. Nantes.

Ship being loaded as quickly as possible. Desires the return of papers relative to the Spanish snow being recaptured by the "Hercules," Capt. [John] Carey. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 56.

From Ezra Stiles. 1780. October 10. Newport, R. I.

Sends drawings and descriptions of a new wheel for a grist mill, invented by Mr. Kelsy, of Connecticut. Spirited account of Gen. [Benedict] Arnold's treason. A. L. S. 3 p. IV, 57.

From Jno. Paul Jones. 1780. October 13. L'Orient.

Description of a tremendous storm; his vessels unable to proceed to America for some time; the supplies for the United States to be carefully preserved; great courage displayed by the crew; enclosing an account of the storm, by the officers of the "Ariel" [2 p.]. A. L. S. 2 p. XII, 17 and 18.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1780. October 14. Nantes.

Introducing Mr. French, of Bordeaux. Anxious to hear of the great ship's arrival at l'Orient. A. L. S. 1 p. IV, 58.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. October 17. Nantes.

Introducing M. Zollicoffre, a Swiss, who has been for some time in America. A. L. S. 1 p. IV, 59.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. October 17. Nantes.

Plan for utilizing the Massachusetts State ship, "Mars," now at Nantes. Desires advice concerning the Portuguese Captain who was taken by Capt. [Simon] Samson. News of [John Paul] Jones's disaster; this makes more goods to be shipped. A. L. S. 6 p. IV, 60.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. October 19. Nantes.

Question of shipping the saltpetre. News of the check Gen. [Horatio] Gates has received. A. L. S. 2 p. IV, 61.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. October 24. Nantes.

M. [Le Ray] de Chaumont's failure to pay his bills imminent; the writer's own credit must be maintained at whatever cost; begs Dr. Franklin to see that all of his notes are promptly honored. A. L. S. 3 p. IV, 62.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. October 31. Nantes.

Sorry that Dr. Franklin has the gout. The "Mars" soon to be loaded. All difficulties concerning the saltpetre to be removed. Promises to send accounts in a day or two. A. L. S. 3 p.

IV, 63.

From ______. [1780.] November 21.

Question of the genuineness of certain bills. The heads of the British apparently turned by their success in South Carolina and by their acquisition of Gen. [Benedict] Arnold; seven-eighths of them in favor of continuing the war; belief that the Americans will quarrel with their allies. Trial of an American, named [John] Trumbull, for treason; belief that he will be convicted merely because he is of the same rank as the late Major [John] André. A. L. 2 p. IV, 64.

From John Bondfield. 1780. December 9. Bordeaux.

Invoice of fifty-six pieces of artillery shipped from Bordeaux to l'Orient on Dr. Franklin's order. L. S. 1 p. IV, 65.

From The Continental Congress.

1780. December 21. [Philadelphia.]

Orders concerning the release and exchange of Henry Laurens. L. S. S[amuel] Huntington, President. 1 p. IV, 66.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1780. December 30. Nantes. Announcing the birth of a daughter. A. L. S. 1 p. IV, 67.

From Le Ray de Chaumont. [1780.]

Computation of the cost of clothing 15,000 men. A. N. I p. (In French.)

From Laurent Josselin. Circa 1780.

Has lost his position in the Royal Arsenal at Marseilles; anxious to secure work with the army in America. L. in 3d P. I p. (In French.)

IV, 69.

From [Marquis de] la Fayette. Circa 1780. Paris.

Sending him an "arrét" just received for their free ports. A. L. S. 1 p. IV, 70.

From [Jean Baptiste] Le Roy. [Circa 1780.]

Asking his influence on behalf of Lieutenant-Colonel [Antoine Felix] Wuibert, of the American army, who has suffered imprisonment and hardship; his appointments never paid him. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.)

From L'Abbé Jean Louis Giraud Soulavie. Circa 1780.

Has an unpublished work on the American Revolution, which has been praised by Comte de Vergennes. He sends Dr. Franklin a list of questions, and desires permission to publish his answers. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From The Continental Congress. 1781. January 4. Philadelphia,

Enclosing an order of Congress [IV, 66] for the release and exchange of Henry Laurens. L. S. Sam[ue]l Huntington, President. I p. (Copy.)

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. January 16. Nantes.

Concerning a draft drawn by him on [Le Ray] de Chaumont and protested; money needed by him in case M. de Chaumont did not resume payment; his reputation as a merchant involved; enclosing list of his bills drawn on Dr. Franklin [1 p.]. A. L. S. 1 p. V, 2 and 3.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. January 18. Nantes.

Concerning a draft on Dr. Franklin given by him to M. Carier to replace certain drafts on [Le Ray] de Chaumont. A. L. S. 2 p.

V, 4.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1781. January 25. Nantes.

[Le Ray] de Chaumont approaching bankruptcy; before this occurs advises the purchase from him of a lot of goods ready for America. The ship at Bordeaux to be forced to go to l'Orient. A. L. S. 4 p.

V, 5.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1781. January 27. Nantes.

Information received in a letter from Joseph Wharton, that Col. [John] Laurens is appointed Envoy Extraordinary to Paris, on particular business only; Mr. [William] Palfrey coming as Consul-General of France. Prisoners captured by the Americans. A. L. S. 3 p.

V, 6.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. February 1. Nantes.

Desiring to know what answer to make to the prisoners who are continually begging to be exchanged. Encloses a letter for M. [Jacques] Necker, A. L. S. 2 p. V, 7.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. February 4. Nantes.

The ship, "Marquis de la Fayette," not yet at l'Orient. "Aurora" illegally detained at l'Orient, for freight charges. Glad [Le Ray de Chaumont has resumed payment. A. L. S. 3 p.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. February 9. Nantes.

Concerning the arrest of Mark Anthony, the writer's black servant; encloses certificate of emancipation and asks that application be made to the French Ministers to secure his release. A. L. S. 3 p. V, q.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. February 9. Nantes.

Enclosing a letter just received by the brig "Sally"; the English fleet still in Gardiner's Bay [New York] and the French in Rhode Island. A. L. S. 1 p. V, 10.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1781. February 14. Nantes.

Concerning a convoy for the vessel "Marquis de la Fayette," which will soon be freighted for America. A consul much needed at Nantes, in order to enlist American seamen in the American service. A. L. S. V, 11. 2 p.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. February 27. [Philadelphia.]

Resolutions complimentary to John Paul Jones. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 2 p. V, 12.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. February 29. Nantes.

Concerning his protest against freight duty charged on the cargo of the "Aurora." Has his servant [Mark Anthony] back but is under bonds to send him away in six months; complains bitterly of the Procureur's attitude in this affair. A. L. S. 2 p. V, 13.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. March 1. [Philadelphia.]

Accession of Maryland to the Confederation of States. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 1 p. V, 14.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. March 2. Philadelphia.

Enclosing extracts from the minutes of Congress [February 27, 1781], and instructing Dr. Franklin to communicate them to the King of France. L. S. Sam[uel] Huntington, President. 1 p. (In duplicate.)

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. March 6. Nantes.

Sends a copy of an account [I p.] received from l'Orient, contradicting the reported mutiny of the Pennsylvania troops, as published by the English. L. S. I p. V, 15.

From M[atthew] Parke. 1781. March 13. L'Orient.

On behalf of the officers and men of the "Alliance," urges the payment of the prize-money due them; the present Commander of the "Alliance," [Capt. John Barry], much liked. A. L. S. 2 p. V, 16.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. March 20. Nantes.

The ship, "Marquis de la Fayette," ready, to sail for America after the equinox; awaits Dr. Franklin's final orders as to her destination. A. L. S. 3 p. V, 17.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1781. April 2. L'Orient.

The "Marquis de la Fayette" and the "Alliance" have just sailed; the despatches to be sent by the "Aurora." A. L. S. 2 p. V, 18.

From S[ilas] Deane. 1781. April 15. Paris.

Encloses a letter from Mr. [Arthur] Lee; has promised that his board-bill shall be paid; would not trouble Dr. Franklin with this matter if his own circumstances were different. A. L. S. 1 p. V, 19.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. April 18. Nantes.

Is coming to Passy. Recently travelled with [Thomas] Paine, the author of "Common Sense"; Paine's opinion of [Silas] Deane and [Arthur] Lee. Advantage of sending cloth to America to be made up into uniforms. A. L. S. 4 p. V, 20.

From W[illiam] T[emple] F[ranklin]. 1781. May 18.

Concerning an action which took place on May 2d between the French squadron and an English fleet, from St. Eustatius, of thirty-four merchant vessels, escorted by the "Vengeance" and other ships; twenty-two merchant vessels and two corsairs taken. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French and English.)

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1781. June 6. Philadelphia.

Announcing his appointment as Minister of Finance; undertakes the work at a great sacrifice of his domestic happiness; Dr. Franklin's support will be highly esteemed; aware that anyone in a high station must be subject to bitter attacks. L. S. 3 p. V, 22.

From Rob[er]t Morris, S. J. of Finances. 1781. June 8. Philadelphia.

Concerning the choice of a firm to receive the money granted by France to the United States; in favor of selecting Messrs. Couteulx & Co. L. S. 3 p. (In duplicate.)

V, 23 and 24.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. June 14. [Philadelphia.]

Resolution empowering Dr. Franklin to offer Lieut.-Gen. [John] Burgoyne in exchange for the Honorable Henry Laurens. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 1 p. (Copy.) V, 25.

From Gabriel Tardy. 1781. June 19. Nantes.

News received of the escape of Capt. [Gustavus] Cunningham and others from Mill Prison. On June 4th, twenty-four Americans entered the British service. A. L. S. I p. V, 26.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. July 5. Philadelphia.

Empowering Dr. Franklin to offer Lieut.-Gen. [John] Burgoyne in exchange for the Honorable Henry Laurens. L. S. Sam[uel] Huntington, President. 2 p. V, 27.

From Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer. 1781. July 6. Philadelphia.

Asking that the enclosed letter from Mr. Lowndes to his son, be forwarded to London. Dr. Franklin unanimously chosen Peace Commissioner; appointment of [Henry] Laurens unnecessary. A. L. S. 2 p. (In duplicate.)

From [Mrs.] S[arah] Bache. 1781. July 12. Philadelphia.

Introducing the bearer, Major [David Salisbury] Franks, of the American Army, to Dr. Franklin's notice and friendship. A. L. S. I p. V, 29.

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1781. July 14. Philadelphia.

Desiring Dr. Franklin to sound some of the eminent bankers in Paris, as to the credit they are willing to give to a United States bank founded upon the enclosed plan. A. L. S. 2 p. V, 30.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1781. July 21. Nantes.

A plan by which British prisoners may be procured and exchanged for Americans. A. L. S. 3 p. V, 31.

From Rob[er]t Morris, S. J. of Finances. 1781. July 13, 14, 19, 21. Philadelphia.

Deplorable state of the country's finances due to the use of paper money. Money needed to start a bank and a Mint. Mr. [John] Jay instructed to negotiate a large loan at Madrid. Unfair to ask France for more money. Desiring Dr. Franklin to confer with leading bankers in Paris as to organizing a National Bank in America. Advising that the money loaned by France should remain in that country. Attempts made by Congress to raise the value of paper money. L. S. 13 p. (In duplicate.)

From Jon[a]th[an] Trumbull. 1781. August 2. Hartford.

Sends money for the use of his son [Col. John Trumbull], then a prisoner in London. A. L. S. 1 p. V, 33-

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1781. August 4. Nantes.

Sends letters for Dr. Franklin which arrived on the brig "Sally," from Rhode Island. A. L. S. 1 p. V, 34.

From John Bondfield. 1781. August 10. Bordeaux.

Purchase of cannon. Capture of a cutter in the Bay of Biscay, by two American privateers. An American vessel from Port-au-Prince chased on shore by a British vessel and totally wfecked. A. L. S. 3 p. V, 35.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. August 10. [Philadelphia.]

Resolution appointing Robert R. Livingston Secretary for Foreign Affairs. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 1 p. (In duplicate.)

V, 36 and 37.

From Edm[und] Burke. 1781. August 15. Charles St. [London.]

Feels the calamities of the war and among them the discontinuance of his intercourse with Dr. Franklin; has desired his friendship for a long time. Concerning the reported application of Congress for the return of his friend, Gen. [John] Burgoyne, to captivity in America; appeals to Dr. Franklin not to suffer this injustice to take place. A. L. S. 3 p. V, 38.

Printed in Burke's Speeches, II, p. 468.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. August 17. Nantes.

Submits a proposal for the sale of arms; if he accepts the offer, asks to be appointed Agent. A. L. S. I p. V, 39.

From Mauger et Companie. 1781. August 20. Metz.

Ready to ship a large amount of goods to the United States; beg that the French importation laws may be waived, in order to facilitate the shipment. Letter from Estris de Cornie endorsing this request. L. S. 3 p. (In French. Copy.) A. E. urging that this request be granted. S. B[enjamin] Franklin. V, 40.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. September 1. Nantes.

Desires a recommendation to M. de Fleury. Has tried to repay Dr. Franklin's favors by turning over business to Mr. [Richard] Bache's house. A. L. S. 2 p. V, 41.

From J. Cottin & fils Jauge. 1781. September 4. Paris.

Threatened with the loss of an American bill; appeal to secure its payment. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) V, 42.

From [Jacques] Besse. 1781. September 5. Kehl.

Technical letter from a young printer. Enthusiastic over a perpetual motion machine, which he is planning. A. L. S. 4 p. (In French.)

From [Comte de] Montfort. 1781. September 10. Noyon.

Recommending Gourlet Duplessis; account of the good services he has rendered the United States; certificates from army officers enclosed. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

V, 44.

From ____ Mallet. 1781. September 13. Havre

On his recommendation, trusted William Williams and Augustin Morice; both have departed without paying their room-rent; sends the bill to him for payment. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) V, 45.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1781. September 13. Nantes.

Introducing Wanton Casey, son of Silas Casey, of Rhode Island.

A. L. S. 1 p. V, 46.

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1781. September 14. Philadelphia.

Commission to procure him certain books on the public account. L.
S. 1 p. V, 47.

From [Palteau, Chevalier de] Veimerange.
1781. September 23. Paris.

Question of sending supplies to the Agent of Congress, in Boston. L. S. I p. (In French.) V, 48From The Continental Congress et al. 1781. September 24.

Major Lomagne, of Col. [Charles] Armand's Legion, given an honorable discharge on account of illness. Testimony of Gen. Edward Hand, Baron von Steuben and Gen. [John Peter Gabriel] Muhlenberg to Major Lomagne's zeal and activity. Mem. 2 p. (Copy.) V, 49.

From Etienne François, M[ar]quis Turgot. 1781. September 25. Chateau de Bous.

Begging Dr. Franklin to secure from John Hancock an order for the shipment of certain seeds promised the writer by a Frenchman in Pennsylvania. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) V, 50.

From S[ilas] Deane. 1781. October 2. Paris.

Explaining the matter of his expenses; wishes to demonstrate the rectitude of his conduct, and the justice of his demands on Congress; meets some of the accusations made. A. L. S. 3 p. V, 51.

From —— Perregaux. 1781. October 3. Paris.

Sending him a letter, entrusted to his care. A. L. in 3d P. I p.
V, 52.

From — O'Donnoghue. 1781. October 8. Bruges.

Desires information concerning a certain O'Donnoghue, born in Philadelphia; said to be a Catholic; question concerning the social and political standing of the American O'Donnoghues. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1781. October 10. Nantes.

Introducing Foster March Penny and requesting a pass to London for him. A. L. S. 1 p.

V, 54.

From — Petry. 1781. October 15. Paris.

Expressing his belief that his brother, who has gone to fight in America, will be worthy of Dr. Franklin's letters of recommendation.

A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

V, 55-

From F[rancis] Coffyn. 1781. October 16. Dunkirk.

Money furnished American prisoners; letter from John Adams stating that no more prisoners must be sent to Amsterdam; question of where to send them. Enclosing a letter from Tho[ma]s Beer [2 p.] who is destitute and wishes to emigrate to America. A. L. S. 2 p. V, 56.

From John Adams. 1781. October 19. Amsterdam.

Thinks it is a mistake for American prisoners who have escaped from the British, to come to Holland; cites case of Mr. [Thomas] Beer. L. S. 2 p. (Copy.) V, 57.

From Gourlade & Moylan. 1781. October 22. L'Orient.

Question of drawing on Dr. Franklin for the payment of certain bills. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) V, 58.

From [Madame] Virth. 1781. October 26. Hesdin.

Her husband embarks for America, under the orders of Commodore [Alexander] Gillon; the Commodore's promise to send her 60 livres per month; no money has been received; appeals to Dr. Franklin for aid. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From John Hancock. 1781. October 27. Boston.

Introducing Mr. William Knox, brother of General [Henry] Knox. A. L. S. I p. V, 60.

From Le Grand de Castelle. 1781. November 2. St. Omer.

Desiring Dr. Franklin's advice as to removing his friend, Col. George Mercer of America, who is ill in a French inn; supposes that an order from Congress is necessary. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) V, 61.

From — Madier. 1781. November 4. Beaucaire.

Offering to send goods to the United States, to be sold at the same price as in France; encloses a memoir on the subject [3 p.]. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

V, 62 and 63.

From Charles Le Guen. 1781. November 7. Morlaix.

Appointed the agent of L'Heritier, Huigen & Co., to collect damages from the United States for the sale of the cargo of the Swedish ship, "Victory," captured by the "Alliance"; encloses copy of his appointment [2 p.]. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) V, 64 and 65.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. November 7. [Philadelphia.]

Resolution, directing the Secretary of Foreign Affairs to prepare a sketch of emblems of the United States—French Alliance to be inscribed upon the marble column at York [Town]. Attested copy S. Lewis R. Morris, Sec[retar]y. 1 p. V, 66.

From [Madame] Myron Amelunxen[?]. 1781. November 9. Herzebrock.

Begs him to forward the enclosed letter to her brother, who is fighting under [Gen.] Washington; if he is dead, wishes to know it in order to settle affairs of importance. L. S. I p. (In French.) V, 67.

From Le Chevalier de la Chambre. 1781. November 11. Caen.

Acknowledging his letter of October 29, confirming the writer's good opinion of M. [Stephen] Gregory, Lieutenant of the United States Marines. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) V, 68.

From J[ohn] Adams. 1781. November 12. Amsterdam.

Departure of the "South Carolina," from Corunna on October 17th; Capt. [William] Jackson and Mr. [John] Trumbull gone to America. The goods for the American army still at Amsterdam; desires to know if a part had better be sold to pay the freight on the remainder; the soldiers will need them during the winter. L. S. 2 p. V, 69.

From William Knox.

1781. November 19. On board "L'Engageante," Groia.

Sends a letter from George Hancock and one from John Temple, also American newspapers with account of [Lord] Cornwallis's surrender. A. L. S. I p. V, 70.

From Jona [than] Williams, Jr. 1781. November 22. Nantes.

Introducing Mr. [Thomas] Barclay. Congratulations on the late glorious news. A. L. S. 1 p. V, 71.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. November 23. [Philadelphia.]

Resolutions concerning the Marquis de la Fayette's visit to France. D. 2 p. (Copy.) V, 72.

From Rob[ert] R. Livingston. 1781. November 26. Philadelphia.

Recommending a further loan from France and the maintaining of a French fleet on the American coast. Desiring to know if any of Mr. [Silas] Deane's letters to persons in America have been intercepted and published in Europe. L. S. 11 p. (In quadruplicate.) V, 73.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 4.

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1781. November 27. Philadelphia.

Instructions to Capt. John Barry, of the frigate "Alliance," concerning his future movements. L. S. 2 p. XII, 20.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. November 27. [Philadelphia.]

Resolutions empowering Mr. [Robert] Morris to take into his hands all monies belonging to the United States. A. L. S. Geo[rge] Bond, Dep[ut]y Sec[retar]y. I p. V, 74.

From The Continental Congress.

1781. November 23, 27, December 3. [Philadelphia.]

Resolutions allowing Marquis de la Fayette to return to France, appointing him American Agent there, and placing the European loan under the direction of Mr. [Robert] Morris. D. S. Peter S. Du Ponceau, Sec[retar]y. 3 p. V, 75.

From The Continental Congress. 1781. December 3. [Philadelphia.]

Resolution empowering Mr. [Robert] Morris to dispose of all monies according to the Acts and Resolutions of Congress. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 1 p. V, 76.

From Rich[ard] Bache. 1781. December 4. Philadelphia.

Mr. [Silas] Deane's letters have ruined him in the opinion of his countrymen; some suspicion cast upon Dr. [Edward] Bancroft. A. L. S. I p. V. 77.

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1781. December 4. Office of Finance.

Mr. [John] Ross's bills should be paid, not sent back protested. Payments made to M. [Ferdinand] Grand and to Mr. [William] Bingham. L. S. 2 p. (In duplicate.) V, 78.

From [Madame] de Wesselow Cramer. 1781. December 10.

Congratulating him upon the success of the American arms in Virginia. News of his grandson [Benjamin Franklin Bache]; question of his studies; gives him the same degree of care accorded to her own children. Concerning a position for Madame [Dorcas] Montgomery. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From The Continental Congress. 1781. December 10. [Philadelphia.]

Resolution directing the States to fill their quotas in troops by a certain date. Extract from the Minutes. S. Geo[rge] Bond, Dep[ut]y Sec[retar]y. Copy attested by L[ewis] R. Morris, Sec[retar]y. 3 p. V, 80.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1781. December 16. Philadelphia.

Wilmington, a center of Toryism, evacuated, leaving the North Carolina tories to the mercy or resentment of their countrymen. Desiring a sketch for a memorial pillar to be erected at Yorktown. Encloses an ordinance of Congress prohibiting the importation of all British goods not captured. L. S. 3 p. (In duplicate and triplicate.)

V, 81 and 82.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 53.

From Chev[ali]er de Bres. 1781. December 22. Nice.

Soliciting his aid for four young men who wish to enter the American Army; unknown to Dr. Franklin; gives references. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) V, 83.

From G[uillau]me Jaume. 1781. December 23. Lyons.

Desires him to send his grandson [Benjamin Franklin Bache] to a Catholic Academy in which he is interested; describes the curriculum; Protestants frequently place their children in this school. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) V, 84.

From [Madame] Bourovan de Preuille. 1781. December 24. St. Martin.

Begging that the enclosed letters may be forwarded to her grandson at Boston. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) V, 85.

From [Barbeu] Dubourg. [Circa 1781.]

Affair of M. Coder. Purchase of canvas. A consulship in Normandy without pay for M. Grégoire. Exchange of the writer's nephew, taken prisoner by the English. Encloses a note for Mr. [John] Adams and a letter for M. [Mottin] de la Balme. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) V, 86.

From [Antoine Court de] Gebelin. Circa 1781.

Thanking him for accepting an invitation to a meeting of the Lodge [des Neuf Soeurs]. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) V, 87.

From [Ferdinand] Grand. [Circa 1781.]

Sending an extract from a letter from Mr. [Jonathan] Williams, [Jr.], of Nantes, concerning 6 per cent. Congressional Bonds payable in 1781, and deposited with him. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.) V, 88.

From Abbé Morellet. [Circa 1781.]

Sending him a part of his work upon the American Colonies. Leaves it to Dr. Franklin to say whether or not it shall be published. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) V, 89.

From [Sir] Edward Newenham. [Circa 1781.] Paris.

Encloses speeches of Mr. [Charles James] Fox. The London paper honored the writer by recording that he breakfasted with Mr. [Henry] Laurens. Enclosing resolutions of the Volunteer Corps, showing their contempt for the treachery of Mr. [Francis] Dobbs. A. L. S. I p. **V**, 90.

From [François] Félix Nogaret. Circa 1781. Paris.

Regretting that he missed his visit; accepts his invitation for Thursday. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) V, 91.

From [Madame] Oster. Circa 1781.

Desires his aid in finding and rejoining her husband. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) V, 92.

From The Secretary to the King. [Circa 1781.] Paris.

Announcement that the King will not see the Ambassadors on the day appointed. Printed N. S. De Séqueville. 1 p. (In French.)

V, 93.

From The Secretary to the King. [Circa 1781.] Paris.

Notice to meet Comte de Vergennes, in order to discuss affairs. Printed N. S. De Séqueville. 1 p. (In French.) V, 94.

From S[ilas] Deane. 1782. February 1. Ghent.

A history of his past and present situation; question of his private letters being intercepted, in which he had criticized America's policy; defends his own statements; accuses Dr. Franklin of having used greater freedom in his political writings; question of his accounts. A. L. S. 23 p. VI, 1.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. March 9. Philadelphia.

Enclosing a letter, in cipher, from Robert Morris. L. S. 1 p. (In triplicate.) VI, 2.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 232.

From W[illiam] Jackson. 1782. March 21. Calais.

His attachment to the United States has cost him his fortune; formerly conductor of the Public Ledger; in 1777, communicated to Mr. [William] Carmichael intelligence of the secret correspondence between [Comte de] Maurepas and Lord Mansfield. Is now visiting the Duchess of Kingston [Elizabeth Chudleigh], and may accompany her to the Court of St. Petersburg; desires to be of service to the United States. A. L. S. 3 p. VI, 3.

From J[ea]n Rousseaux. 1782. March 29. Brest.

Refers to his two former letters and begs that his petition may be answered, and if possible, granted. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

VI, 4.

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1782. April 8. Office of Finance.

Money needed for purchasing supplies for the States; a further sum will have to be drawn on France; if necessary all French advances could be repaid at the end of the year; for this he pledges his personal honor. L. S. 8 p. (In cipher, with translation.) VI, 5.

From Hilliard d'Auberteuil. 1782. April 13. Paris.

Forwarding proof sheets and requesting the return of those previously sent. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) VI, 6.

From Marquis de la Fayette. 1782. April 13. Versailles.

Announcing the date of his departure. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.) VI, 7.

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1782. April 17. Philadelphia.

Two million livres will need to be drawn on France; the Dutch loan will provide in part for the payment. L. S. 4 p. (In cipher, untranslated.) VI, 8.

From John Wright. 1782. April 19. London.

Introducing William Rawle, son of the late Francis Rawle, of Philadelphia. Failure of their old friends Brown, Collinson and Tritton; hopes Dr. Franklin loses nothing thereby. The new Ministry apparently determined to proceed on true Constitutional principles. A. L. S. 2 p. VI. 9.

From Baron de Thun. 1782. April 22. Paris.

Announcing the embezzlement, followed by the flight of the Ducal Cashier of Wurtemberg; reported as intending to secure Dr. Franklin's aid in passing to America; encloses a description of the offender, with a request for his apprehension; a similar letter sent to the Chief of Police at Paris. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VI, 10 and 11.

From [Mrs.] Mary Hewson. 1782. May 1. Kensigton.

News of her son; her girl greatly pleased with Dr. Franklin's denunciation of stays. Her loss by the failure of Collinson's house. Description of a travelling coach fitted with [Thomas] Viny's wheels, if he wishes to buy one. A. L. S. 4 p. VI, 12.

From — Imbault. 1782. May 4. Orléans.

Desiring information as to the best method of reaching America; has determined to emigrate there with his family. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From — Le Roux. 1782. May 7. Versailles.

Sends a book written by a man who saved his wife's life; he will find it full of valuable knowledge. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

VI, 14.

From The Continental Congress. 1782. May 7. [Philadelphia.]
Orders concerning the exchange of prisoners. D. S. Cha[rle]s
Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 1 p. (Copy.)

VI, 15.

From John Jay. 1782. May 8. Madrid.

Dr. Franklin's letters of the 22d and 23d ult. have determined him to come to Paris; the French Ambassador not averse to the step; the Count de Florida Blanca will refer the instructions intended for M. Del Campo to the Count d'Aranda at Paris. A. L. S. I p. VI, 16.

From Hilliard d'Auberteuil. 1782. May 10. Paris.

Sending the proof of his new work [Essais historiques et politiques sur les Anglo-Américains]; his poor health has retarded the printing and prevented him paying his respects to Dr. Franklin. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

From John Paul Jones. 1782. May 10. Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Concerning the Dutch ship "Berkenbos(ch)"; explains his actions regarding her. Prize-money still due the crew of the "Bon Homme Richard." 6 p. (Copy.)

VI, 18.

From Hilliard d'Auberteuil. 1782. May 11. Paris.

Sends proof-sheets; hopes that the third part of his work will be completed the following week. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VI, 19.

From John Foulke. 1782. May 12. Paris.

Encloses Dr. Franklin's letter upon the insect Ephemera; copied it for Miss [Bethia] Alexander. A. L. S. 1 p. VI, 20.

From John Bondfield. 1782. May 14. Bordeaux.

Report that America has declared war against Portugal, that six rich Brazil ships have been captured and that Capt. [John] Paul Jones is the hero; all Portuguese Captains at Bordeaux ordered to await instructions at Lisbon; the insurance of Portugal vessels raised. A. L. S. I p. VI, 21.

From F[rancis] Coffyn. 1782. May 16. Dunkirk.

Paid for the passage to America of William Stevenson and George Cabot, who had been prisoners in England. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

VI, 22.

From Hilliard d'Auberteuil. 1782. May 16. Paris.

Asking the immediate return of the proof-sheets; sends more. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VI, 23.

From Hilliard d'Auberteuil. 1782. May 20. Paris.

Sending proof-sheets. Returning the copy of the Acts of Congress. Much talk of peace; desires it greatly. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

VI, 24.

From Rich[ar]d Price. 1782. May 20. Newington-Green.

Introducing Messrs. Milford and Brown. Rejoices over the change of Ministry in England; thinks the prospect of peace improved thereby. A. L. S. 1 p. VI, 25.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. May 22. Philadelphia.

Joy in America over the birth of the Dauphin. Firmness of the United States unshaken by England's conciliatory attitude. The people disappointed at the French fleet's departure the year before at a time when a month's stay would have relieved either New York or Charles-

ton. Question of an exchange of prisoners. L. S. 5 p. (In triplicate.) VI, 26.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 434.

From Rob[er]t Morris. 1782. May 23. Office of Finance.

Gives his reasons for requesting that none of the six millions appropriated by the French for the use of the United States, be applied to the payment of M. [Pierre Augustin Caron de] Beaumarchais's claim. L. S. 3 p. VI, 27.

From [François] Félix Nogaret. [1782.] May 24. Compiègne.

Concerning his wife's desire to have painted a medallion of Dr. Franklin, with permission to wear it pendant from her collar. A. L. S. 4 p. (In French.)

VI, 28.

From David Barclay. 1782. May 27. London.

Sending by Baron Dimsdale two attempts on the character of their late valuable friend, Dr. [John] Fothergill. A. L. S. 1 p. VI, 29.

From The Continental Congress. 1782. May 28. [Philadelphia.]

Resolution relative to settling the accounts of the public servants of the United States, in Europe. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 2 p. (Copy.) VI, 30.

From A-en Merville. 1782. May 30. Abbeville.

Sends a sample of his wonderful curative powder; heals wounds readily and keeps the ranks of an army from being depleted. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

VI, 31.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. May 30. Philadelphia.

Question of the prize-money due Capt. [John] Paul Jones and his men. Powers injured by America should never appeal to France. The hanging of Capt. Huddy by the British and the retaliation by Gen. Washington. High opinion of the Marquis de la Fayette. A. L. S. 9 p. (In triplicate.) VI, 32, 33 and 34.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 461.

From [François] Félix Nogaret. [1782. May.]

Desiring Dr. Franklin to support his application for the position of reader to the Duc de Berry; enclosing a copy of a letter from M. Amelot to the Marquis de Sérent endorsing his request [1 p.]. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

VI, 35 and 36.

From Jaubert fils. 1782. June 4. Dunkirk.

Asking for a letter of marque against Portugal. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) VI, 37.

From Fizeaux, Grand & Co. 1782. June 6. Amsterdam.

Have drawn on him for money owed by Mr. John Adams, crediting the same to the account of the United States. L. S. I p. (In French.) VI, 38.

From [Miss] Bethia Alexander. 1782. June 9. St. Germain.

Owing to the plague all the plans of the Philosophical Society of Toulouse are abandoned; Dr. Franklin therefore relieved from his part in the ceremonies. Reminds him of his promise to call on the Comtesse de la Marck. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VI, 39.

From Hilliard d'Auberteuil. 1782. June 9. Paris.

Acknowledging his corrections of American Geographical names; thanking him for information concerning Chadd's [Ford]. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VI, 40.

From Alard Du Perier. 1782. June 12. Grenoble.

Desires to emigrate to America, with his eight children; believes the absence of luxury there would enable him to live more cheaply than in France; asks for letters of introduction. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From - Favi. 1782. June 15. Paris.

Sends a book and a letter from M. Ingen Housz; will take charge of any reply. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VI, 42.

From Hilliard d'Auberteuil. 1782. June 17. Paris.

Sends proof-sheets; desires their return as soon as possible. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) VI, 43.

From Van den Yver & Co. 1782. June 18. Paris.

Desiring letters of recommendation for Henri van Eupen, merchant at Antwerp, who is about to send a vessel to Philadelphia, under the Imperial flag. L. S. I p. (In French.) VI, 44.

From [Pierre-Augustin Caron] de Beaumarchais. 1782. June 21.

Concerning a letter received from [Le Ray] de Chaumont relative to Mr. [Augustin?] Morice. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.)

VI, 45.

From [[onathan] Williams, Jr. 1782. June 22. Nantes.

Introducing Mr. Tardy, of his counting house, who can give Dr. Franklin full information of affairs at Nantes. A. L. S. I p. VI, 46.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. June 23. Philadelphia.

The people determined to make no peace in which their alliance with France is not included. Concerning the pension of [Lieut. Col. Louis] Tousard. Case of the brigantine, "Ersten." Question of Dr. Franklin's expenses. L. S. 3 p. (In duplicate.) VI, 47 and 48. Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 501.

From J[oseph] Priestley. 1782. June 24. Birmingham.

Having at last got sunshine, is prosecuting his experiments; these are inconsistent with M. [Antoine Laurent] Lavoisier's supposition that there is no such thing as phlogiston. Is sorry that peace is so long delayed and hopes soon to see Dr. Franklin in England. A. L. S. 3 p. (Fac-simile by American Photo-Lithographic Co., N. Y., in duplicate.) VI, 49.

From Hilliard d'Auberteuil. 1782. Tune 25. Paris.

Delighted with his approbation of his Remarks on the Treaties between the United States and France; these same observations severely condemned by the Department of Foreign Affairs. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VI, 50.

From B. Gannan & Zoon. 1782. June 25. Ostend.

Offering to carry to Philadelphia, despatches, goods or other effects. L. S. 3 p.

A. E. by Dr. Franklin. "Refused."

VI, 51.

From Poreau & Comp[agnie]. 1782. June 27. Dunkirk.

Reminding him of his promise to secure the exchange of Capt. Christopher Codner, an American, who had suffered much in English prisons. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VI, 52.

From L'Abbé de Klinglin. 1782. June 29. Paris.

Desiring a letter of recommendation for a merchant named La Coste, who is going to Philadelphia. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VI, 53.

From [Miss] B[ethia] Alexander. Circa 1782. July 3. St. Germain.

Announcing a party of people who will wait upon him at Passy. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) VI, 54.

From [Madame] de La Coste. 1782. July 4. Paris.

Thanking Dr. Franklin for the letter he wrote in her husband's behalf.

L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

VII, 1.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. July 5. Philadelphia.

Transmitting a letter from Congress to the King of France, and a resolution [1 p.] on the subject of Mr. William Lee's demands. L. S. 1 p. (In triplicate.)

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 595.

From Pierr[e] Buyck. 1782. July 7. Gand.

Enclosing a letter for Mr. [Henry] Laurens. Has a number of bills on Tho[ma]s Barclay and Commodore [Alexander] Gillon, for goods furnished in Holland for the United States; question of their payment. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

VII, 3.

From Benj[amin] Vaughan. 1782. July 9. London.

Introducing Mr. Benjamin Savage, a young Jewish Tory from South Carolina; lacks nothing except conversion by Franklin. A. L. S. 3 p. VII, 4.

From J[oseph] Priestley. 1782. July 10. Birmingham.

Introducing an English traveller. Late experiments interrupted by cloudy weather; the political sky also overcast. A. L. S. 2 p.

VII, 5.

From [Madame] Carroll d'Auzouer. Circa 1782. July 12. Paris. Sending a letter to be forwarded to Mr. [Charles] Carroll. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VII, 6.

From [Sir William] Jones and Mr. [John] Paradise. 1782. July 15. Paris.

Reminding him of the letter he promised them; hope to pay their respects to him upon their return from America. L. in 3d P. 1 p. VII, 7.

From — De Beauquesne. 1782. July 17. Paris.

Account of his imprisonment by the English, and subsequent ship-wreck; has in his care a fifteen year old daughter; begs for aid. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VII, 8.

From [Mrs.] Mary Hewson. 1782. July 19. Kensington.

Introducing Dr. [John] Shuttleworth. Account of the struggle to support herself made by Mrs. Wilkes; chance of an opening for her to teach English in France. Acknowledging the book he sent her; praises Madame de Genlis but detests her sophistry, especially with regard to suckling and stays; delighted with Madame de Forbach's little piece. A. L. S. 4 p. VII, 9.

From [Jean] Durival. 1782. July 21. Versailles.

Desiring his seal in order to affix it to the Convention agreed upon between him and Comte de Vergennes on July 16th. L. S. I p. (In French.)

From — Hüllmandel. 1782. July 22. Paris.

Requesting Dr. Franklin to grant an interview to a friend of his, who has made an important discovery in physics. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From [Mrs.] Mar[gare]t Stevenson. 1782. July 24. [London.]

News of mutual friends. Desires to see him once again before she dies. A. L. S. 3 p.

A. E. by Dr. Franklin. Noting her death on Jan. 1, 1783. VII, 12.

From James Hunter. 1782. July 29. Richmond, Va.

Enclosing a letter for Mrs. [Isabella] Strange, and apologizing profusely for troubling him. A. L. S. 1 p. VII, 13.

From Félix Nogaret. 1782. July.

Acknowledging with every mark of gratitude and pleasure his gift of his medallion portrait. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) VII, 14.

From George Chaimley. 1782. August 7. Brest.

Escaped from a British prison; asks for money to enable him to return to Boston; his uncle, Dr. Chaimleÿ, will repay it. A. L. S. 2 p. VII, 15.

From - Bassi. 1782. August 8. Paris.

Two years before sent him his work entitled "Observations sur les Poêtes Italiens"; has been ill since then and unable to work; applies to him as a patron of literature, for pecuniary assistance. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From [Sir] Jos[eph] Banks. 1782. August 9. [London.]

Introducing [Pierre Marie Auguste] Broussonet. Has never entered the doors of the House of Commons; congratulates himself on escaping many weary hours. Hopes for peace on such terms as will be advantageous to both parties. A. L. S. 3 p. VII, 17.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. August 9. Philadelphia.

Concerning the negotiations for peace. Importance of the fisheries. Spanish claims. Transmitting money for salaries of Franklin, Jay, Adams, Carmichael, Dana and Dumas. A. L. S. 6 p. (In triplicate; partly in cipher.)

VII, 18, 19 and 20.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 652.

From — Destouches. 1782. August 10. Dunkirk.

Asking that Capt. Bennet Negus be released from Mill Prison and given the command of the "Franklin." A. L. S. 4 p. (In French.) VII, 21.

From Theo[doric]k Bland. 1782. August 11. Philadelphia.

At the request of James Hunter, begs him to deliver the enclosed letter to Mrs. [Isabella] Strange. A. L. S. 1 p. VII, 22.

From Vicomte de Lomagne [-Tarride]. 1782. August 12. Bereux.

Account of his five campaigns in America, his capture by the English and his subsequent shipwreck; desires a loan of money and a position in the French army. A. L. S. 5 p. (In French.)

VII, 23 and 24.

From — Puchelberg. 1782. August 17. Versailles.

Informed by M. [John D.] Schweighauser that his account against the "Alliance" has been allowed by Congress; desires to know when it will be paid. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

VII, 25.

From J[ohn] Shuttleworth. 1782. August 17. [Paris.]

His servant will wait for the promised papers, and for any letters Franklin may commit to his care. A. L. S. 1 p. VII, 26.

From — De Ferrière. 1782. August 26. L'Orient.

Concerning the capture of a vessel, containing his household goods, first by the English and then by the French; only able to reclaim his goods after paying an exhorbitant sum; appeals to Dr. Franklin for redress. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

VII, 27.

From [Charles] Grant, V[icom]te de Vaux. 1782. September 2.

Complains bitterly of receiving no reply to his petition; asks for an interview; lost a fortune supporting the American cause. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

From The Continental Congress. 1782. September 3. [Philadelphia.]

Resolution to give the ship "America" to the King of France to replace the "Magnifique," lost in the harbor of Boston. D. I p. (Copy.)

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. September 5. Philadelphia.

Censuring all the American Agents for their remissness in writing. Possible evacuation of Charleston. Loss of the French ship, "Magni-

fique." Matters to be remembered when negotiating peace with Great Britain. Loan from France necessary. L. S. 3 p. (In triplicate; partly in cipher.) VII, 30, 31 and 32.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 696.

From [Jean Charles Pierre] Lenoir. 1782. September 6. Paris.

Enclosing passports for Mr. Harford and his son, for London, and for Mr. Hill, for Spain. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VII, 33.

From — Mesny. 1782. September 6. Paris.

Concerning Dr. Franklin's promise to pay for one hundred copies of M. de la Faye's work, after they should have been sold in America; begs for information of their sale. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

VII, 34.

From The Continental Congress. 1782. September 9. [Philadelphia.]

Resolve not to issue any more interest bills. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 1 p.

XII, 21.

From Lamarque, Fabre & Co. 1782. September 10. Paris.

M. [Alexander] Gillon's departure for America, without repaying the money advanced him by their firm; this omission has seriously embarrassed them; apply to Dr. Franklin for assistance. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From Lamarque, Fabre & Co. 1782. September 10. [Paris.]

Transmitting a statement of their receipts and disbursements on account of the United States. Copy of a letter [I p.] from Commodore [Alexander] Gillon relative to the payment of their debt by South Carolina. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From La Veuve Dubois and Mesdames Laneorlon. 1782. September 12. L'Orient.

Money due them for supplies furnished the officers and seamen of the "Bon Homme Richard," the "Pallas" and the "Alliance"; ask him to see that the bill is paid. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VII, 37. From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. September 13. Philadelphia.

Safe arrival of two vessels from Holland bringing the goods left by Commodore [Alexander] Gillon. Desperate need of money. Mr. [Thomas] Paine's work addressed to Abbé Raynal. Resolutions of Congress. A. L. S. 4 p. (In quadruplicate. Duplicate copy has a postscript.)

VII, 38, 39, 40 and 41.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 726.

From The Continental Congress. 1782. September 14. [Philadelphia.]
Resolutions concerning the proposed loan. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson,
Sec[retar]y. 1 p. (Copy.)
VII, 42.

From Alphonse Leroy. 1782. September 16. Paris.

Begging him to forward a letter to Boston. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VII, 43.

From [Marquis de] la Fayette. 1782. September 17. Paris.

Announcing the birth of a seven months' daughter—a new American citizen; likens this premature delivery to the premature outbreak of the Revolution; thinks of naming the child Virginia. A. L. S. 2 p. VII, 44.

V11, 44.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. September 18. Philadelphia.
Refusal of Congress to accept Mr. [Henry] Laurens's resignation;
alterations made in Dr. Franklin's powers. Need of money. L. S.
2 p. (In quadruplicate; partly in cipher.) VII, 45, 46, 47 and 48.
Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 743.

From The Continental Congress.

1781. November 27. 1782. September 23.

Resolutions concerning Mr. [Robert] Morris's powers as Superintendent of Finance. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 1 p. (In duplicate.) XII, 22 and 23.

From The Continental Congress.

1782. September 14, 23. [Philadelphia.]

Resolves relative to proposed European loans. D. S. Cha[rle]s Thomson, Sec[retar]y. 1 p. XII, 24.

From The University of Dartmouth. 1782. September 24.

Introducing Mr. John Wheelock, President of the University, and Mr. James Wheelock, and begging him to further the cause of their trip to Europe. A. L. S. Besa Woodward, Secretary. 4 p. VII, 49.

From ____ Marcel. 1782. September 29.

Application for work by a surgeon, who had been made prisoner and thereby lost everything. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VII, 50.

From Rolland frères. 1782. October 2. Marseilles.

Concerning the arrival of an American vessel with a cargo of tobacco; their efforts to obtain a good sale for it. Possible that their large woolen manufactory in Languedoc may furnish some goods useful to the Americans. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

VII, 51.

From [Félix] Vicq d'Azyr. 1782. October 5.

Introducing Mr. Laurent Josselin, who wishes to go to America. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) VII, 52.

From [Mrs.] Jane Mecom. 1782. October 6. Warwick, R. I.

Has not heard from him for two years and a half; sorry if the politeness of the French ladies has lessened his old American acquaint-ances in his esteem. Death of her granddaughter; other family news. A. L. S. 2 p. XII, 25.

From Williams, Moore & Co. 1782. October 9. L'Orient.

Arrival of the American vessel "Cicero" with two prizes; thirty French prisoners on one of the prizes set free without an order from Dr. Franklin. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

VII, 53.

From — Coulougnac. 1782. October 11. Paris.

Desiring a letter of recommendation to the Governor of Virginia, that he may obtain his assistance in collecting a debt. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

VII, 54.

From Camusar et C. Lerouge. 1782. October 12. Troyes.

Desiring to know the commercial standing of Jean André Stockolm, recently established in Nantes, and reported to be known to him. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) VII, 55.

From — De Castella. 1782. October 12.

Requesting a private interview and asking that his name be kept secret. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VII, 56.

From [Gerard van] de Brantsen. 1782. October 15. Paris.

Sending a letter from Prof. Ingen Housz, and offering to deliver the reply. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. (In French.) VII, 57.

From L'Abbé [Jean Louis Giraud] Soulavie. 1782. October 21. Paris.

Acknowledging the "Observations" which will appear in his next volume. Desires Dr. Franklin to recommend him for the vacancy in the Académie des Sciences. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VII, 58.

From Williams, Moore & Co. 1782. October 21. L'Orient.

Transmitting a receipt from the Commandant of l'Orient for prisoners of war delivered to him. L. S. I p. (In French.) VII, 59.

From Camusar & C. Lerouge. 1782. October 23. Troyes.

Desiring his opinion as to the amount of credit that can safely be accorded to Mr. [Jean André] Stockolm. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VII, 60.

From John Davies and David Gavin.

1782. October 26. Bordeaux.

Were private passengers on board an English ship; captured and brought to a French prison; wish either to be released or exchanged; have with them an orphan child of three years, George Lewis, whose father died in prison. A. L. S. 2 p. VII, 61.

From J[onathan] Williams, Jr. 1782. November 1. St. Germain.

Mrs. Williams not well enough for him to leave at once for Passy; hopes to see Dr. Franklin in a few days. A. L. S. 1 p. VII, 62.

From — Bayard. 1782. November 6.

Requesting his signature to a claim against the State of Georgia. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VII, 63.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. November 9. Philadelphia.

America's European policy. Concerning the exchange of prisoners. Affair of Mr. [Henry] Laurens. Execution of [Captain] Huddy [of New Jersey]; retaliation only prevented by the interference of their Majesties. Election of Mr. [Elias] Boudinot [as President of the Congress]. L. S. 5 p. (In triplicate.) VII, 64, 65 and 66.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, V, 871.

From L[ewis] R. Morris.

1782. November 11. Office for Foreign Affairs.

Sends Dr. Franklin's salary; desires to know what allowance he made his Private Secretary. A. L. S. 2 p. VII, 67.

From Baron d'Arendt. 1782. November 15. Frankfort.

Concerning his claims on Mr. Robert Morris; asks that they may be paid to the Prussian Minister at Paris. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

VII, 68.

From Destouches frères. 1782. November 15. Roubaix.

Enclosing a letter to be forwarded to Mr. [Matthew] Ridley of Baltimore; sends samples of goods and request a recommendation. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

VII, 69.

From Baron d'Espagnac. 1782. November 19. [Paris.]

Obliged, owing to illness, to decline his invitation to dinner. L. in 3d P. I p. (In French.) VII, 70.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. November 21. Philadelphia.

Mr. [Thomas] Jefferson added to the Peace Commission; England's attitude towards peace. Necessity of retaining the logwood trade in Jamaica. Mr. Joel Barlow proposes having his own poems printed. L. S. 4 p. (In triplicate.) VII, 71, 72 and 73.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, VI, 66.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. November 27. Philadelphia.

Concerning the relations of Lamarque & Fabre with Mr. [Alexander] Gillon. Opportunity for Dr. Franklin's grandson to open a correspondence with the Office of Finance. L. S. 2 p. (In duplicate.)

VII, 74.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, VI, 85.

From [Jacques-Christophe] Valmont de Bomare. 1782. November 29. Paris.

Regrets having been prevented from calling during Dr. Franklin's recent illness; begs him to be present at the opening lecture of his course. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) VII, 75.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1782. December 3. Philadelphia.

The British on the point of leaving Charleston, and the French troops soon to embark. A. L. 1 p. (In cipher; in triplicate.)
VII. 76, 77 and 78.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, VI, 102.

From L. Lanoix. 1782. December 10. Bordeaux.

Offers to give one half the capacity of his ship, for the transportation of goods to America. Asks for a passport and letters to American commercial houses. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) VII, 79.

From Baron de Thun. 1782. December 14. Paris.

Concerning the payment of a sum of money to Richard Bache by Mr. [Christian] Schneider of Germantown; appeal of Mr. Auer to have this sum transmitted to the widow Hoeckl[er]in in Ebingen. A. L. S. 2 p. VII, 80.

From — Pierre. 1782. December 14. Paris.

Recommending M. Saudot to Dr. Franklin's generosity. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VII, 81.

From Parent de Bellehache. 1782. December 18. Paris.

Reminds him of his friendship for the writer's father, and asks for aid. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VII, 82.

From P. Penet. 1782. December 21.

Regrets that his creditors have been annoying Dr. Franklin; has assured them that Dr. Franklin has nothing to do with his engagements. L. S. I p. (In French.) VII, 83.

cipher.)

From David Barclay. 1782. December 27. Youngsbury.

Dr. [John] Fothergill's biography being written by Dr. [John Coakley Lettsom, a physician of London; desires his advice as to inserting in the work, the paper entitled "Basis of a Plan of Reconciliation, etc." Religious scruples of Friends in Pennsylvania. A. L. S. 4 p. VII, 84.

From ____ Enore. 1782. December 28. Paris.

Concerning the payment of certain bills. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VII, 85.

From [Henry] Laurens. 1782. December 30. [Paris.]

Inviting Dr. Franklin to dine with him on January 2d. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. VII, 86.

From The Continental Congress. 1782. December 31. [Philadelphia.] Instructions for negotiating peace. L. 2 p. (In untranslated

From — Favier. Circa 1782.

Begs for a written statement which will give the lie to the calumnies against him circulated by his enemies. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) VII, 88.

From [Ferdinand Grand? Circa 1782.]

If England's offer of peace is refused, means of continuing the war must be found; a fleet is needed; impossible for America to build one; France must do nothing which is not to her true interest; the approaching campaign would require twenty-four millions of French money. Terrible consequences of a union of the savages with the English. A. Mem. I p. (In French.)

A. E. by Dr. Franklin. "M. Grand. Points for conversation."

VII, 89.

VII, 87.

From [[ean] B[aptiste] de Loose. [1782.] Ghent, Flanders.

His intention to ship supplies to America; desires letters which will give him free access to certain American ports. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) XII, 26.

From Williams, Moore & Co. 1782.

Enclosing papers relative to the capture of a prize-ship by an Amer-VII, 90. ican vessel. L. S. 1 p. (In French.)

From — de Thurn. [Circa 1783.] Metz.

Comes of an old and respectable family in Alsace; his trade as vintner; has decided to emigrate with his only child to America; encloses a project for trading in wine which will enrich any American firm. L. in 3d P. 4 p. (In French.) VII, 91.

From S[arah] Bache. 1783. January 1. Philadelphia. Recounting in detail the doings of the little Baches. A. L. S. 3 p. VIII, 1.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1783. January 2. Philadelphia.

Departure of the French army. [Thomas] Jefferson about to sail for France. Encloses Resolutions of Congress; finances still in great distress. L. S. 3 p. (In triplicate.) VIII, 2, 3 and 4.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, VI, 192.

From [Jean-Baptiste] Le Roy. 1783. January 3. Paris.

Introducing a man from Dunkirk and congratulating him on the bright prospects for America. A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

VIII, 5.

From [Madame] Melin Dutartre. 1783. Tanuary 4.

Begs him not to forget her in 1783, as he did in 1782; prevented seeing him in Passy owing to his being engaged at the time; urges him to dine with her. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) VIII, 6.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1783. January 6. Philadelphia.

Mr. [Thomas] Barclay's objection to the Convention relative to Consuls. Question of a further French loan, and of restoring confiscated property. Importance of retaining the fisheries. Question of salaries. Important happenings in America. L. S. 7 p. (In duplicate.)

VIII, 7 and 8.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, VI, 198.

From S[amuel] Cooper Johonnot. 1783. January 29. Geneva.

Thanking him for past favors and congratulating him upon the VIII, 9. conclusion of peace. A. L. S. 1 p.

From N. Reboul. 1783. February 4. La Ciatot.

Application for the position of American Consul in his native town.

A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

VIII, 10.

From [Ferdinand] Grand. 1783. February 12. Paris.

Comte de Vergennes's disregard of Dr. Franklin's request for an increase, and his adherence to the six million already granted for the current year; terms of the contract; willing to use his personal credit, but that would not suffice; possibility of aid from Holland; Comte de Vergennes's appreciation of the importance of supporting American credit. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From John Bourne. 1783. March 9. London. Advice for the new American Nation. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 12.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1783. March 26. Philadelphia.

His opinion of the terms of peace. Trouble with the army. Question of salaries. Dr. Franklin's desire to be relieved from office. Acknowledging the receipt of his journal. L. S. 7 p. (In duplicate.)

VIII, 13 and 14.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, VI, 343.

From The Royal Society of Medicine. [1783. March. Paris.]

Announcement of a public meeting of the Society. Printed N. I p. (In French.)

VIII, 15.

From [Marquis de] la Fayette. 1783. April 7. Paris.

Arranging an interview between Dr. Franklin and the Comte de Vergennes. Message for Arthur Young. A. L. S. 1 p. VIII, 16.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1783. May 9. Philadelphia.

Anxious for the treaty of peace. Finances still greatly embarrassed; question of a loan. As yet no estimate of the losses sustained by the States from Great Britain. All prisoners will soon be delivered at New York. United States ports swamped with foreign goods. L. S. 3 p. VIII, 17.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, VI, 418.

From — Vidau. 1783. May 12. Civita Vecchia.

Congratulating him upon the birth of a new republic; asking that his son be appointed American Consul in the town where he holds the French Consulship. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) VIII, 18.

From [Henry] Laurens. 1783. May 19.

Acknowledging the American newspapers. A. L. in 3d P. I p. VIII, 19.

From [Sir] Jos[eph] Banks. 1783. May 28. [London.]

Introducing Dr. [Sir Charles] Blagden, a noted physician, who is in a position to tell Franklin all the latest doings in science. Congratulating him on the return of peace. A. L. S. 4 p. VIII, 20.

From Rob[er]t R. Livingston. 1783. May 31. Philadelphia.

Nothing has been done as to the acceptance of his resignation. Decision in the case of the Portuguese ship "Nostra Signora." The affairs of the "Alliance" and "Bon Homme Richard" not yet settled. Desirability of an increase in the French loan. L. S. 2 p.

VIII, 21.

Printed in Diplom. Corresp. of the Am. Rev., Wharton, VI, 459.

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr. 1783. May 31. Nantes.

Endorsing Alexander Hegnye's petition to the Marquis de Castries for a captain's certificate. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 22.

From L[ewis] R. Morris. 1783. June 5. Office of Foreign Affairs.

Notifying him of the transmission of his account with the United States. L. S. 2 p.

VIII, 23.

From Dr. [Edward] Bancroft. 1783. June 19. [Paris.]

Sorry that another engagement prevents his dining at Passy. A.

L. in 3d P. 1 p. VIII, 24.

From S[ilas] Deane. 1783. July 20. London.

Has heard that Comte de Vergennes and others at Versailles have the strongest resentment againt him; desired to be assured of his personal safety, if he comes to Paris to settle his accounts. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 25.

From The Academy of Sciences of Turin. 1783. July 28. Turin. Inviting him to become an honorary member of their Society. A. L. S. J. F. Cigna [Secretary]. 2 p. (In French.) VIII, 26.

From [Sir] Jos[eph] Banks. 1783. August 25. [London.]

Sorry that his copy of the Transactions of the Royal Society has been delayed; the Society anxious to hear of the balloon experiments of M. [Joseph Michel] Montgolfier and his competitor. Gen. Washington compared to Cincinnatus. Hopes that Dr. Franklin can soon leave politics for philosophy. A. L. S. 3 p. VIII, 27.

From Mme. d'Enneville, Comtesse de Choiseul and M. du Buc. 1783. August.

Announcing the marriage of M. du Buc-Saint-Olympe and Mme. De Longpré. Printed N. 1 p. (In French.) VIII, 28.

From [Ferdinand] Grand. 1783. September 29. Paris.

Acknowledging a sum of money to be placed to Dr. Franklin's credit.

L. S. 2 p. (In parallel, French and English.) VIII, 29.

From [Maximilian-Marie Isidore] de Robespierre. 1783. October 1. Arras.

His successful plea for the repeal of a sentence abolishing lightning rods; his speech upon that occasion printed; sends a copy to the illustrious inventor of the lightning rod. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 30.

From Ducarne De Blaugy. 1783. October 3. Hirson.

Incensed at Dr. Franklin daring to call his balloon an infant just coming to birth; certain that if the balloon had been invented earlier, Gibraltar would have been taken; several trips made from Calais to Dover. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From Ducarne De Blaugy. 1783. October 7. Hirson.

Experiments in aerial navigation; practical value of balloons; questions of height and distance. Observations on bees. A. L. S. 10 p. (In French.)

From [Horace Bénédict] de Saussure. 1783. October 10. Geneva.

Acknowledging a copy of the Constitutions of the United States. Sends essay on hygrometry. Landriani, Professor of Physics at Milan, deputed by the Austrian Government to have lightning rods erected on all public buildings in Austrian Lombardy; also to write such an essay as shall show the people the utility of the rods; desires data as to the use of lightning rods in America. A. L. S. 3 p. (In French.)

From S[ilas] Deane. 1783. October 19. London.

Defends himself against the charges of intimacy with Benedict Arnold, and of furnishing Lord Sheffield with most of the facts and principles in his recent work on the Commerce [of the United States].

A. L. S. 5 p. VIII, 34.

From [Sir] Jos[eph] Banks. 1783. November 7. [London.]

At a meeting of the Royal Society, he read Dr. Franklin's two recent letters on balloon experiments in Paris; the Society hailed with delight his return to philosophical pursuits; desires to know whether he would choose to have these letters printed in the Philosophical Transactions. A. L. S. 3 p. VIII, 35.

From S[ilas] Deane. 1783. November 7. London.

Endeavoring to get the restrictions on American trade with the West Indies modified or removed. Has written long letters to Mr. [Thomas] Barclay and to Col. [Jeremiah] Wadsworth concerning the settlement of his accounts. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 36.

Printed in Collections of New York Historical Society, 1890. Deane Papers, V, 232.

From — de Thurn. 1783. November 19. Fontainebleau.

His appointment by the King of France, as Secret Agent in England. D. S. 3 p. (In French. Copy.) VIII, 37.

From W[illia]m Lee Perkins.

1783. December 7. Kingston-upon-Thames.

The diploma electing his father a corresponding member of the Royal Society of Medicine at Paris, arrived after his decease; hopes that this honor may be transferred to him. Enclosing a printed treatise, in Latin, on Influenza [16 p.]. L. S. 3 p. (Copy.) VIII, 38.

From _______ 1783.

Poem addressed to Dr. Franklin on the occasion of his receiving from the Comtesse de Deux-Ponts, a bâton of thorn-wood, surmounted by an apple of gold and representing a liberty-cap. I p. (In French. Printed by Didot l'aîné.)

From [Jean Baptiste] Le Roy. [Circa 1783.]

Read with great pleasure Franklin's hypothesis concerning the extraordinary motions of the earth; comments thereon. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 40.

From Baron de Savagnac. [Circa 1783.] Paris.

Preparing for publication a list of the Ministers and Ambassadors of all Nations; desires a complete list of those accredited by the United States. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VIII, 41.

From — [De] Lafreté. 1784. January 13. Paris.

Has scarcely ventured out since his great bereavement but will come to Passy for a few days; desires a recommendation for M. Philippe Aribert, who wishes the American Consulship in Languedoc. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From [Jacques] Finck. 1783, January; to 1784, January.

Account of Dr. Franklin's family expenses. 1 vol. 4to. 90 p. 973.3 D.

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From [Sir] Jos[eph] Banks. 1784. March 23. [London.]

Movements of meteors; Dr. [Sir Charles] Blagden's general thoughts thereon. [Sir William] Herschel's observations on the planet Mars. Dearth of aerostatic experiments. A history of the construction of Ed[dy](i)stone Lighthouse soon to be published. A. L. S. 4 p. VIII, 43.

From [Jacques] Le Maire. 1784. March 30. Paris.

Account of his twenty-eight years of military service in France and America; desires Dr. Franklin's assistance in obtaining a position in the Island of San Domingo.

A. E. recommending M. Le Maire warmly. S. B[enjamin] Franklin. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) XII, 27.

From [General] George Washington. 1784. May 6. Philadelphia.
Introducing Mr. [Nathaniel] Tracy of Massachusetts Bay. A. L.
S. 1 p. VIII, 44.

From Le Ray de Chaumont. 1784. May 28. Passy.

Bill for house rent. S. Le Ray de Chaumont, B[enjamin] Franklin and Tho[ma]s Barclay. 1 p. VIII, 45.

From [Joseph Ange] C[om]te De Saluces [De Menusiglio].
1784. July 1. Turin.

Application of keys to the harmonica, by the Abbé Perno Piémontois; desires information on this point. The Academy soon to publish the first volume of its new works; begs Dr. Franklin to contribute. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VIII, 46.

From [John] Paul Jones. 1784. August 2. Paris.

Accepting his invitation to dinner on August 4th. A. L. in 3d P.

1 p. VIII, 47.

From [Sir] Jos[eph] Banks. 1784. August 13. [London.]

Presenting him with the gold medal struck by the Royal Society in honor of Capt. [James] Cook; acknowledging his gracious reception of Capt. Cook's Voyage, which was sent him by the King's direction. Experiments with balloons in England. A. L. S. 4 p. VIII, 48.

From — Angenend. 1784. August 19. Paris.

Receipted tailor's bill. Mem. S. 1 p. (In French.) VIII, 49.

From M. le Curé and Madame Le Veillard. 1784. [August.] Passy.

A notification of a meeting at which a collection for the poor will

A notification of a meeting at which a collection for the poor will be taken. Printed N. 1 p. (In French and Latin.) VIII, 50.

From William Lee Perkins. 1784. November 17. Kingston.

Desiring to know if he ever received a letter from him, as well as a paper on Influenza. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 51.

From [John] Adams. 1784. November 28. Auteuil. Inviting him to dinner. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. VIII, 52.

From Mrs. [John] Adams. 1784. December 3. Auteuil.

Thanking him for the oil. Recommends a sedan chair instead of a carriage. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. VIII, 53.

From Messrs. Jackson, Tracy, Donnaldson and Temple. 1784. December 17. Paris.

Requesting passports for themselves and their servants. L. in 3d P. vIII, 54.

From ——— Angenend. 1784. August 19, to December 22. Paris.
Bills for tailoring. Mem. S. 9 p. (In French.)

VIII, 55, 56, 57 and 58.

From De Pachelbel de Gehag fils. 1784.

Announcing the death of the Duke de Deux-Ponts on October 5, 1784. Printed N. 1 p. (In French.) VIII, 59.

From Ann Ourry. 1785. January 27. Kinsale.

Asking his help to recover some land in New York, lost in a lawsuit by her father. A. L. S. 4 p. VIII, 60.

From La Marquise De Bouille. 1785. March 23. Paris.

Begging his influence on behalf of the unfortunate Mlle. [Ann]
Ourry. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

VIII, 61.

From [Jacques] Finck. 1785. February and March.

Bill for household expenses. Mem. 8 p. (In French.)

VIII, 62 and XII, 28.

From La Société Royale de Physique, d'Histoire Naturelle et des Arts d'Orleans. 1785. April 5. Orléans.

Certificate of his election as honorary member. Diploma S. Huet de Froberville. r p. (In French.) Framed.

From Huet de Froberville. Sec[retair]e Perp[etu]el. 1785. April 7. Orléans.

Announcing Dr. Franklin's election as Honorary Member of the Société Royale de Physique, d'Histoire Naturelle et des Arts d'Orleans. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) VIII, 63.

From La Loge des Bons Amis. 1785. May 18. Rouen.

Expressing their gratification at his consenting to become a member of their Lodge. L. S. [Anquetin] De Beaulieu, Premier Surv[eillan]t, et al. 2 p. VIII, 64.

From La Loge des Bons Amis. 1785. May 18. Rouen.

List of the officers of the Lodge. L. S. Le Bourgeois de Belleville, Sec[retar]y. 4 p. (In French.) XII, 29.

From — Collignon. 1785. May 21. Dieuze, Lorraine.

Sends him a copy of his book on the clearing of waste lands; desires the other copies forwarded to the United States, for sale. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From J[onathan] Williams, Jr. 1785. July 12. London.

His intention to join Dr. Franklin at Cowes, and go with him to America. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 66.

From [John] Paul Jones. 1785. July 15. Paris.

Desiring a certificate of the indemnity offered Denmark for certain prizes restored to the British. A. L. S. 1 p. VIII, 67.

From Th[omas] Jefferson. 1785. July 18. Paris.

Glad to hear that he has reached Rouen, without being much fatigued; precautions he has taken to protect his baggage. A M. Duplessis wishes a long memoir on some animals of South America copied for Dr. Franklin; does he care to have it? A. L. S. I p. VIII, 68.

From La "Maison Philantropique." 1786. December 6. Paris.

Announcing a meeting of their Society; list of candidates for membership. Printed N. S. Colson, Agent. 1 p. (In French.) VIII, 69.

From F[rancis] Hopkinson. 1787. September 18.

Petition against the abolishment of his salary as Judge of Admiralty; begs Dr. Franklin to favor his petition when it comes before the Council. A. L. S. 2 p. VIII, 70.

From [Madame] Bastide. Passy.

Asking for money. A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) VIII, 71.

From M. and Mme. [N.] Baussan. April 29. Paris.

Invitation to dinner on May 6th. A. L. in 3d P. I p. (In French.) VIII, 72.

From - Boux.

Concerning money due M. Boux, who entered the United States service with the understanding that his passage money and certain other specified expenses should be paid in addition to his salary. L. in 3d P. 2 p. (In French.)

From -----

Warning him against two renegade Americans, Jameson, of Charlestown, and Robert Tuitten. A. L. 1 p. (In French.) VIII, 74.

From ____ Cochran. January 1.

A New Year's greeting. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) XII, 30.

From [Madame] Marie Noelporion.

Application for assistance from a poor widow with several children. L. in 3d P. I p. (In French.) XII, 31.

From ______

Bill for work done in the wine cellar. I p. (In French.) VIII, 75.

LETTERS FROM BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

By The American Commissioners. 1777. February 2. Paris.

Resolution concerning the attitude of the United States towards France or Spain, in case either of these nations should conclude a Treaty of Amity and Commerce with the United States, and in consequence enter into a war with Great Britain. D. S. B[enjamin] Franklin, Silas Deane and Arthur Lee. I p. IX, I.

By The American Commissioners. 1777. February 2 and 5. Paris.

Resolved to defend and support the public cause at all hazards and, for such purpose, to pledge their persons or hazard the censure of the Congress by exceeding their instructions, and to cheerfully risk their liberty or life. D. S. B[enjamin] Franklin, Silas Deane and Arthur Lee. 2 p.

IX, 2.

To _____ Mercier. 1777. June 23. Paris.

Agreement for the repair of arms. D. S. Silas Deane for the Commissioners. 3 p. (In French. Copy.) IX, 3.

To The Council of Massachusetts. 1777. December 21. Paris.

Acknowledging their favor of October 29th with news of Burgoyne's defeat and surrender. A. Dr. of L. 2 p. IX, 4.

To Le Ray de Chaumont. [Circa 1777.]

Arrangement by which he and his grandson had their dinners at M. de Chaumont's house. A. Dr. of N. 1 p. (In French.) IX, 5.

From [The American Commissioners to Comte de Vergennes]? [1777.]

Denying complicity in the conduct of Capt. [Gustavus] Conyngham. Dr. by Ferdinand Grand of L. 1 p. (In French.) XII, 8.

To [Henry Laurens]. 1778. March 31. Passy.

Testifying to the worth of Silas Deane and expressing a belief that his recall was due to misrepresentations. L. S. 1 p. (Copy.) IX, 6a.

To Arthur Lee. 1778. April 6. Passy.

Asserting his belief that orders given by any two of the Commissioners are sufficient; reasons why Lee was not consulted in this particular instance. L. S. 1 p. (Copy.)

1X, 6b.

To James Lovell. 1778. July 22. Passy.

Glad to learn that Mr. [Silas] Deane is likely to return, with honor, on a mission to Holland. L. S. 1 p. (Copy.) IX, 6c.

Expense Account. 1778. December 29 to 31.

Mem. 1 p. IX, 7.

From The American Commissioners to [Simeon] Deane. [1778.]

Explicit instructions covering his secret commission to Congress. L. S. B[enjamin] F[ranklin], S[ilas] D[eane], A[rthur] L[ee]. 2 p. (Copy.)

IX, 8.

Expense Account. 1776. December 7. 1779. February 23.

Dr. Franklin's expenses, public and private. Mem. 14 p. IX, 9-15.

To Horneca, Fizeaux & Co. 1779. April 20. Passy.

An order to replace certain goods sent by mistake from Nantes to the United States; enclosing copy of the invoice. (2 p. In French.) Dr. of L. S. I p. IX, 16.

To Comtesse de Forbach. [1779. June.]

Acknowledging her gift of a pair of scissors; constant reminders of her at every turn; she has impressed him as one of the best, wisest and most amiable of women. A. Dr. of L. I p. IX, 17.

To Mrs. [Elizabeth] Partridge. 1779. October 11. Passy.

An amusing account of French politeness and the agreeable manners of the French ladies. Bad print of the Boston newspapers. Sends her his miniature on china. A. Dr. of L. 2 p. IX, 18.

To James Lovell. 1779. October 17. Passy.

Has never meddled in the quarrel between [Silas] Deane and [Arthur] Lee; still believes [Silas] Deane to be innocent of embezzlement and peculation. L. S. I p. (Copy.)

IX, 6d.

To Whom it May Concern. 1780. March 29. Passy.

Certifying to the genuineness of the signatures of Thomas Jefferson and P[atrick] Henry. A. Dr. of D. 1 p. IX, 19.

To Whom it May Concern. 1780. April 14. Passy.

Certifying to the genuineness of the signature of Lombart de Laneuville. A. Dr. of D. 1 p. IX, 20.

To Captain Pierre Landais, L'Orient. 1780. June 7. Passy.

Leaves the propriety of Landais's conduct to other judges; waives any further dispute, but charges him not to meddle with the command of the "Alliance" or to create any disturbance on board of her. L. S. 2 p.

E. Setting forth Landais's refusal to receive Dr. Franklin's letter. S. James Moylan, 1780, July 7, l'Orient. IX, 21.

To ______ [1780.]

Offence given to the French Court by Mr. [John] Adams's letters to the Comte de Vergennes; difficulties due to having more than one Agent at one time in one place; unwise remarks made lately by certain Americans in Paris; believes America would gain by a courteous attitude towards France. L. 3 p. XII, 32.

To ______ 1780. Passy.

Form to be issued by Dr. Franklin as a passport to American travellers.

Printed D. 1 p. (In French.)

XII, 33.

Memorandum. [1780.]

List of papers relating to the frigate "Alliance." A. Mem. 2 p. IX, 22.

To [Etienne-François,] Marquis de Turgot. 1781. May 1. Passy.

Technical description of a new stove, accompanied by a diagram. A.

Dr. of L. 1 p. IX, 23.

Memorandum. 1781, September 31 and 1782, January 8.

List of Dr. Franklin's books moved from his chambers to his office.

Mem. 3 p. (In French.)

IX, 24.

To Baron de Thun. 1782. April 24. Passy.

Promising to have arrested on sight any person answering the Baron's description. A. L. S. I p. IX, 25.

To Leopold M. A. Caldani, President of the Academy of Sciences, Letters and Arts of Padua. 1782. April 26. Passy.

Accepting his election as honorary member of the Academy of Sciences, Letters and Arts of Padua; promising to send them natural history specimens, on his return to America. A. Dr. of L. I p. IX, 26.

To Marquis de la Fayette. 1782. September 17. Passy.

Pleased to learn that Madame de la Fayette has another daughter; recommends naming his children after the States, beginning with the oldest and running through the thirteen; hopes that such States as Massachusetts and Connecticut will change their names before they are needed; advantages of giving birth to seven months' babies. A. L. 2 p. (Press copy.)

Memorandum. 1782. September.

The British ships "Luxford" and "Will" declared lawful prizes of the "St. James," Capt. Alex[ande]r Cain, "[Lady] Washington," Capt. James Josiah, "Queen of France," Capt. Richard Dale. A. Mem. 1 p. IX, 28.

To Le Ray de Chaumont. [Circa 1782.]

Question of M. de Chaumont's account against the United States; most of the doubtful items to be left to M. [Ferdinand] Grand to decide. Mem. 3 p. IX, 29.

To [George] Fox. 1783. March. Passy.

Invitation to dinner. Printed N. 1 p. IX, 30.

To Sir Joseph Banks. 1783. August 30. Passy.

Account of balloon experiments in France; M. [Joseph Michel] Montgolfier's invention; pleasantries concerning the future utility of balloons. A. Dr. of L. 5 p. IX, 31.

To Sir Joseph Banks. 1783. October 8. Passy.

Sending an account of two balloon ascensions; Messrs. [Jacques Alexandre César] Charles and Robert soon to make important experiments. A. Dr. of L. 2 p. IX, 32.

To Sir Joseph Banks. 1783. November 21. Passy.

Animated account of a balloon ascension which had recently taken place near the residence of the Dauphin; the balloon inflated with hot air produced by burning straw. A. Dr. of L. 4 p. IX, 33.

To Sir Joseph Banks. 1783. December 15. Passy.

Sends him, as President of the Royal Society, M. [Jacques Alexandre César] Charles's account of his balloon ascension. A. L. S. I p.

IX, 34.

To The Farmers-General. [Circa 1783.]

Advising them to present their accounts to Mr. [Robert] Morris, Superintendent of Finance; suggestion that tobacco be sent to France in part payment. A. L. I p. (Press copy.) IX, 35.

To Count de Salmes. 1785. July 5. Passy.

Mentioning other attempts to apply keys to the harmonica; none very successful. A. Dr. of L. 2 p. IX, 36.

To _____.

Explaining Mr. Merckle's position with regard to his contracts with Congress. Release of duties, by the Court of France, on these goods. A. Dr. of L. 1 p. IX, 37.

To Madame -----

Introducing l'Abbé de la Roche, Chaplain to the Comte d'Artois. A. Dr. of L. 2 p. (In French.)

IX, 38.

To _____.

Answers to hypothetical questions regarding a citizen's duty, should the chief of a Civil Society resolve the ruin of a part of that Society.

A. Mem. 1 p.

IX, 39.

MISCELLANEOUS LETTERS.

From [David] Lloyd to William Penn. 1705. May 19. Philadelphia.

Denies the justice and truth of his complaints; accuses him of breaking his promises and of neglecting the rights of the Friends; the Colony's wish that he should remain its Proprietor and that he should continue to furnish a Lieutenant to rule in his stead, but that this Lieutenant should not have power to prorogue or dissolve the Assembly; defends the [Pennsylvania] Assembly against Penn's attacks. A. L. S. 13 p. X, 1.

From James Logan to Horace Walpole. 1732.

A memorial of the state of the British plantations in America; compares them with those of France. Trade with the Indians. D. 14 p. (Copy by Benjamin Franklin.)

From T[homas] Penn to T. Jackson. 1740.

Quarrel between the Governor [George Thomas] and the Assembly; machinations of the Friends. The French threatening to make a settlement within fifty miles of the western boundary. Praises the actions of the Governor. L. 3 p. (Copy.)

From The Quarterly Meeting of Friends to "Our Friends and Brethren at the Meeting for Sufferings in London."

1755. May 5. Philadelphia.

Accusing the present Proprietors of a disposition to deprive them of Charter privileges; they appear to forget that the first settlers of Pennsylvania were neither criminals nor paupers, but men who came to America for conscience sake. Power of the Friends in the Legislature. The Friends in England asked to have a personal conference with the Proprietors of Pennsylvania; difficulties of the Province recently set forth in an address to the King. L. S. John Armitt, Sam[ue]l Powel, Thomas Rose, John Reynell, Sam[ue]l Preston Moore, Isr[ael] Pemberton, Antho[ny] Morris, Hugh Roberts. 4 p. (Copy.)

By "Obadiah Honesty." A Remonstrance. [1757.]

Defending Rev. [William] S[mi]th against the charge of evasion or equivocation. Printed L. 4 p. 2d Edition. XII, 36.

By _____ to The Author of "The Chronicle." [1758.]

Poem, entitled "Labour in Vain, or An Attempt to Wash the Black-Moor White." Printed broadside. (Illustrated.) I p. XII, 37.

Refusing to grant the white men's petition for a road through their country, because it would mean the driving away of all game, and their own extinction. L. 1 p. (Copy.)

X, 3.

From Joseph Galloway to The Public.

1764. September 29. Philadelphia.

Defending himself against Mr. John Dickinson's charge of having obtruded on the public a pretended speech. Printed broadside. I p.

X, 4.

By [David James Dove?]. 1764.

The addition to the epitaph, without the copper-plate. A prayer to Satan. Printed broadside. I p. XII, 38.

See C. R. Hildehem, Issues of the Press in Pennsylvania, II, 3, No. 1938.

From John Penn to Philip Syng. 1765. January 17. Philadelphia.

Wish of the Proprietaries that their located, uncultivated lands in Pennsylvania shall not be taxed at any higher rate than any other similar land in the Province. L. S. 1 p. (Copy.) X, 5.

From James Wilkinson to George Wilkinson, Bladensburg, Md. 1765. August 6. London.

Advising him not to return to England until his time is out; his wife and child well. A. L. S. 1 p. X, 6.

Six Arguments Against Choosing Joseph Galloway an Assemblyman. [Circa 1766.]

Addressed to himself by one heretofore his friend. Printed broadside. 1 p. XII, 39.

From William Semple, Alexander Bartram, James Stuart and Robert Wilson to The Public. 1770. June 30. Philadelphia.

Confessing to having violated the non-importation agreement. Printed broadside. 1 p. XII, 40.

From A Pennsylvanian to The Inhabitants of Philadelphia.

1770. July 14. Philadelphia.

A vigorous condemnation of New York's desertion of the Colonial cause; urgent appeal to be firm and united. Printed broadside. I p. X, 7.

From Benjamin Towne to The Public.

1770. July 30. Philadelphia.

Detailed account of the trouble between himself and William Goddard, joint owners and publishers of the "Pennsylvania Chronicle." Printed sheet. 2 p. XII, 41.

From William Goddard to The Public.

1770. August 1. Philadelphia.

A most abusive arraignment of his former partners in the "Pennsylvania Chronicle," Joseph Galloway and Thomas Wharton, [Sr.]; begs the public to suspend judgment until he can lay his case before them. Printed broadside. I p. X, 8.

From Francis Hopkinson to Mrs. [Deborah] Franklin.

1770. September 4. Philadelphia.

Bill for goods bought from him. A. Bill. [Written on back of engraved advertisement of Francis Hopkinson, dealer in Cloths and Suitable Trimmings.]

From A Tradesman to "The Tradesmen, Farmers and Other Inhabitants of Philadelphia," 1770. September 4. Northern-Liberties [Philadelphia].

Appeal to them not to permit a few men to repeal the non-importation agreement of Pennsylvania. Printed broadside. I p. X, 10.

From Isaac Elizer to [Whom it May Concern]. 1772. November 19. Newport, R. I.

Certifying to the integrity and ability of Capt. Richard Grinnel, of Newport. D. S. 1 p. X, 11.

From Lewis Johnston and Thirty-one Others to Governor William Franklin. [Circa 1772.]

Petition to the Council and Legislature to forbid the practice of "Physick and Surgery" except by such persons as should pass an examination. L. S. 1 p. XI, 78.

From A Philadelphian to The Freemen, Citizens of Philadelphia. 1773. June 16.

Warning them against the City Council's arrogation of certain powers not given them by the Charter. Printed broadside. I p. XII, 42.

From The Committee for Tarring and Feathering to The Delaware Pilots and Capt. Ayres. 1773. November 27. Philadelphia.

Warning the Delaware Pilots not to permit Capt. Ayres, of the ship "Polly," to reach Philadelphia with his cargo of tea from London; warning Capt. Ayres not to land his cargo. Printed broadside. 1 p. XII, 43.

From Civis to The Inhabitants of Pennsylvania.

[Circa 1773.]

Answer to Publicus who has written in favor of the Excise Law.

Printed broadside. I p. XII, 79.

From Civis to The Public. 1773.

Unjustly reviled by Titus Ironicus and Publicus in a controversy over the Excise; challenges his defamers to make known their identity. Printed broadside. I p. XII, 44.

From Jacob Rush, Sec[retar]y pro tem.

1774. December 6. Committee Chamber, [Philadelphia].

Resolves concerning the auction of imported goods. Printed broadside. I p. X, 12.

From [Antoine Raymond Jean Gualbert Gabriel] de Sartine to
———— D'Esparre. 1775. April 24. Versailles.

Acknowledging his proposal of the 8th inst. for taking advantage of the present situation of the British Colonies; rejects it however, owing to the good feeling between France and Great Britain. L. S. I. p. (In French.)

From [Francis Dashwood, Baron] Le Despencer and H. F. Thynne, His Majesty's Postmaster-General. 1776. January 5. London. A table of the rates of postage. Printed broadside. 1 p. XII, 45.

From The Committee of Inspection and Observation [of the City of Philadelphia]. 1776. February 5. [Philadelphia.]

Declaring John Drinker, Thomas and Samuel Fisher enemies to their country and precluded from all trade or intercourse with the inhabitants of these Colonies, owing to their refusal to receive bills of credit emitted by Congress. Peter Z[achary] Lloyd, Sec[retar]y. Printed broadside. I p. X, 14.

Respecting the Hiring of German Troops. 1776. December.

Memoir. 4 p. (In French.)

X, 15 and XII, 46.

From The Continental Congress, Marine Committee.
1777. February 6. Philadelphia.

Appointing Robert Robinson on officer on board the sloop "Hornet." D. S. John Hancock, Pres[ident]. 1 p.

A. E. This warrant shall serve instead of a commission and authorizes him to act as Lieutenant under his command. S. Jno. P[aul] Jones. On board the "Bon Homme Richard," 1779, June 10.

X, 16.

From The High Court of Admiralty of England. 1777. March 27. Court of St. James.

Instructions given to Letter of Marque Ships, commissioned to seize the vessels belonging to the inhabitants of the rebellious Colonies. D. S. Geo[rge] Germain, Godf[rey] Lee Farrant, Registrar. 12 p. (Copy.) E. "Taken in ve 'Martha.'" X, 17.

From Tho[ma]s Hood to [Whom it May Concern].
1777. March 29. Paris.

Deposition, made before Silas Deane, of the unjustifiable treatment meted out to an American prisoner by the English. A. L. S. 3 p. (Attested by Silas Deane.) X, 18.

By Richard Swift. 1777. April 1.

A humorous imitation of a Muster-roll. Printed broadside. 2 p. XII, 47.

By The Continental Congress. 1777. April 11, 12. [Philadelphia.]

Resolution relative to saving the stores in Philadelphia from being captured by the British. Printed broadside. 1 p. X, 19.

From Robert Morris to Silas Deane. 1777. June 29. Philadelphia.

Expressing the greatest indignation at the conduct of the Commissioners in giving public letters to Congress, containing damaging accounts of his brother [Thomas Morris]'s actions as American Agent in France; does not deny the charges but resents the unnecessary publicity given the affair. Report that Dr. Franklin was willing to dismiss Morris in order to make a place for a nephew and a partner [Jonathan Williams, Jr.]. L. 4 p. (Copy.)

From J[onathan] W[illiams, Jr.], to Capt. Lawrence, of the prize snow, "Nancy." 1777. July 11. Nantes.

Orders concerning the snow's cargo. L. S. 1 p. (Copy.)

From J[onathan] W[illiams, Jr.], to ——— Odea.
1777. July 11. Nantes.

Orders to captains of all prizes to address themselves to the writer.

L. S. 1 p. (Copy.)

X, 21b.

From J[onathan] W[illiams, Jr.], to Augustin Guichard. 1777. July 12. Nantes.

Orders concerning the "Sally's" cargo. L. S. 1 p. (In French. Copy.)

By The State of Massachusetts Bay. 1777. July 14. Boston.

Appointing William Addiscott master of the Continental schooner "Lee." L. S. Artemas Ward, President. 1 p. (Copy.) X, 22a.

From The Pennsylvania Journal. 1777. June 25 to July 30.

Letters between General Washington and [Gen. Sir William] Howe, concerning the exchange of prisoners; capture of Major-General [Richard] Prescott; question of exchanging him for Gen. [Charles] Lee. L. 4 p. (In French.)

From [Sir] W[illiam] Howe to [The People of Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland].

1777. August 27. Headquarters of the British Army.

Declaration. Promising amnesty to all who should return to their allegiance. Printed broadside. I p. X, 24.

From Israel Pemberton, John Hunt and Samuel Pleasants to The President and Council of Pennsylvania. 1777. September 4.

Philadelphia.

A remonstrance against their unjust imprisonment. Printed L. 1 p. XII, 48.

From Israel Pemberton, James Pemberton, John Pemberton, Thomas Wharton [Sr.], Henry Drinker, Thomas Fisher, Samuel Pleasants and Samuel R. Fisher to The Congress. 1777. September 5. Philadelphia.

Protesting against being sent to prison without a trial. Printed broadside. I p. XII, 49.

From Montieu and de Francy to [Pierre] Landais. 1777. September 18. Marseilles.

Concerning the cargo of the "Flamand"; orders to receive no army officers on board. L. S. 3 p. (In French.) X, 25, 26 and 27.

From — Mercier to [Jonathan] Williams, [Jr.]. 1777. October 21. Nantes.

Expenses incurred for arms and repairs paid from money of the United States entrusted to him by [Jonathan] Williams, [Jr.]. Mem. I p. (In French. Copy.) X, 28.

The Number of Foreign Troops Engaged by Great Britain for the Campaign of 1777 in America. [1777.]

As agreed to in the treaty, signed December 11, 1776. X, 29.

From An Officer in New York to His Friend in Dominica. [Circa 1777.]

Concerning the trouble between the British and Hessian troops. L. S. 3 p. (Copy.) X, 30.

Memorandum. [1777.]

Minutes of the last despatch; battle between Generals Howe and Washington; treachery on the part of the Quakers; Howe's entry into Philadelphia. I p. (In French.)

A. N. by Dr. Franklin. Applications to go to America; sale of vessels in Holland; prizes; complaints of Spain and Holland; financial matters.

X, 31.

From — Mercier to Jonathan Williams, Jr. [1777.]

I temized account of expenditures on behalf of the United States. I p. (In French. Copy.) X, 32.

From [Jonathan Williams, Jr.], to — Mercier. [1777.]

Accusing him of leaving his work unfinished and breaking his contract; referring him to Dr. Franklin for a settlement of his account.

A. Dr. of L. 2 p. (In French.)

XII, 50.

By The Supreme Executive Council of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. [1777.] Philadelphia.

A stirring call to arms to defend the City of Philadelphia from the imminent attack of the British army. S. Thomas Wharton, Jr., President. Printed proclamation. 1 p. (In duplicate.) XII, 51 and 52.

From — Boux to His Uncle. [Circa 1777.]

Complaining of the insulting treatment offered him on board the "Lion"; given a passage on this ship by Jonathan Williams, Jr.; rails against the manners of American seamen. L. 2 p. (Copy translated into English.)

By [William Alexander]. Circa 1777.

Observations on tobacco. A. Mem. 3 p.

Х, 33.

From [Jonathan] Williams, Jr., to — Mercier. 1778. February 5. Nantes.

Concerning his debt to Mercier. 1 p. (In French. Copy.) X, 34.

From The Navy Board, Eastern Department, to Sam[ue]1 Tucker.
1778. February 10. Boston.

Instructions concerning Capt. Tucker's passenger, John Adams. S. W[illia]m Vernon and James Warren. 2 p. (Copy.) X, 35.

From A[rthur] L[ee] to J[ames] Moylan.
1778. February 17. Chaillot.

Advising him not to settle in l'Orient in order to transact public business for the American Commissioners, because it had been reported that his purpose was to promote the private interests of said Commissioners. L. S. 1 p. (Copy.)

X, 36a.

From [James Moylan to Arthur Lee]. 1778. February 23. L'Orient.

Stigmatizes as false the report mentioned in his letter of the 17th inst.; thinks the source of his information should be divulged. L. 2 p. (Copy.) X, 36b.

By William Temple Franklin. 1778. March 3.

A list of letters and papers sent to Arthur Lee. A. Mem. 1 p. X, 37.

From ——— Perrin to ——— Moreau. 1778. March 13. Receipt for duties paid on wine. Mem. 1 p. (In French.)

X, 38.

From The Navy Board, Eastern Department, to Abraham Whipple.

1778. March.

Instructions to Capt. Whipple relative to his voyage to France. L. S. William Vernon. 2 p. Copy attested by Geo[rge] Richards, Sec-[retar]y. X, 39.

From The Navy Board, Eastern Department, to Abraham Whipple, Commander of the Ship "Providence." 1778. April 25. Providence.

Instructions concerning the treatment of prizes and prisoners. L. S. William Vernon. 2 p. Copy attested by Geo[rge] Richards, Sec-[retar]y. X, 40.

From John Paul Jones to Thomas Simpson. 1778. April 26. On board the "Ranger."

Appointing him Commander of the prize-ship of war "Drake" and giving him his instructions. L. S. I p. (Copy.) XII, 54.

From — de Chantereyne. 1778. April 30. Cherbourg.

Acknowledging his debt to William Addiscott. L. S. 1 p. (In French. Copy.)

From The [Continental] Congress to The People of the United States. 1778. May 9.

Recounting the cruelty with which Great Britain has waged the war; adjuring them not to accept their offers of peace and urging them to be firm. Printed proclamation. I p. Yorktown, printed by Hall and Sellers. (In duplicate.)

From [Chevalier du] Buisson to [Barbeu] Dubourg, Paris.

1778. May 16. La Flèche.

Desiring a letter of recommendation for his nephew who goes to join the army in America; begs him to obtain permission from Dr. Franklin for his nephew to go on board the "Boston." A. L. S. 2 p. (In French.)

From [Courtney] Melmoth to ——— Loyal, Paris. 1778. May 19. Flanders.

Obliged to go to England; promises to pay him what he owes. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) X, 42.

From _____ to Chevalier de Beauteville. [1778. May ?]

Asking for letters of recommendation from Dr. Franklin and others for M. d'Abezac. L. 1 p. X, 43.

From Ch[eva]1[i]er de Beauteville to _______. 1778. May 24. Paris.

Accepts his offer of letters of recommendation from Dr. Franklin for the Chevalier d'Abezac. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) X, 44.

From The Navy Board, Eastern Department, to Capt. Corbin Barnes. 1778. June 8. Boston.

Ordering him to prepare the "Despatch" for sea, and then report to the Council. L. S. J[ames] Warren, J[ohn] Deshon. I p. X, 45a.

From The State of Massachusetts Bay to Capt. Corbin Barnes. 1778. June 9. Council Chamber, Watertown.

Entrusting him with letters for the American Commissioners at Paris. Minute orders as to his future procedure; secrecy enjoined. L. S. Jer[emiah] Powell, Presid[en]t. 2 p. X, 45b.

By Andrew Fallon. 1778. June 11. On board the "Drake," Brest. His parole as a British prisoner of war. D. S. 1 p. X, 46.

From — Leconte to Peltier Du Doyer. 1778. June 15. Nantes.

Official notice to produce certificates of discharge for certain vessels within a given time. D. S. 1 p. (In French. Partly printed.)

X, 47.

By The Continental Congress.

1777. March 1. 1778. May 9, June 19.

Resolutions pertaining to the appointment of Capt. [Pierre] Landais, to command certain vessels. D. S. 3 p. (Copy.) X, 48.

From [de] Montieu to ----- 1778. June 26. Paris.

Unjust and illegal duties levied by the Farmers-General on goods sent by him to America; desires to obtain Dr. Franklin's influence with the Comte de Maurepas to have these abolished; enclosing a memoir on the subject [3 p.]. L. S. 2 p. (In French.) X, 49 and 50.

From —— Boudet to [Ferdinand] Grand, Paris. 1778. July 1. [Paris.]

Sending one of the five installments of notes promised to Dr. Franklin.

A. L. S. I p. (In French.)

X, 51.

From —— Brisbois to [Whom it May Concern].

1778. July 10. Dunkirk.

Certificate by the Mayor and Alderman of Dunkirk as to [François] Jean Coffyn's honesty and trustworthiness. L. S. r p. (In French.)

X, 52.

From Tho[mas] Hutchinson to Dr. [James] Lloyd. 1778. August 10. London.

Sending him a power of attorney to collect the rent on his sister's estate on Slocum's Island; confers power of attorney for his own estates at Milton and Dorchester. L. S. 3 p. (Copy attested by Jona[than] Loring Austin.)

X, 53.

From Dr. [James] Smith to William Temple Franklin. 1778. August 14. Paris.

Reminding him of his Grandfather's promise to secure passage through France for the writer and his baggage; the latter detained at Calais for three months; demands that his goods be released at once. L. in 3d P. 3 p. (Copy.)

From William Temple Franklin to Dr. [James] Smith. 1778. August 16. Passy.

Takes exception to the tone of his letter; points out the formalities needed before his baggage can be released. A. L. S. 2 p. (Copy.)

X, 55.

From ______ to _____ to _____ 1778. September 4. Newburyport.

Account of an incursion into Rhode Island by the American troops, supported by the French fleet. L. 2 p. (Copy.) X, 56.

Announcing the retreat of the Royalists from Rhode Island to Long Island; Comte d'Estaing's position off Sandy Hook. L. I p. (In French. Copy.)

From Jona[than] Williams, Jr., to ————— de Montieu.

1778. December 23. Passy.

Acknowledging the receipt of a quantity of clothing and military stores. A. L. S. 1 p. (In French.) X, 58.

From [Jacques] Necker to Louis XVI. 1778. [Paris.]

Suggesting a plan for improving the French Provincial Administration. Diss. 25 p. (In French. Copy.) X, 59.

From _____ to [William] Carmichael. [Circa 1778.] Paris.

Proposal to meet him at an appointed time near the statue in the Rue Vendome; a signal is described and secrecy is enjoined. L. in 3d P. I p. X, 60.

By Pierre Landais, President.

1779. February 2 and 3. On board the "Alliance."

Proceedings of a Board of Inquiry, held to investigate a conspiracy to take the "Alliance" by force and carry her into England or Ireland.

Mem. 8 p.

X, 61.

From [John D.] Schweighauser to John Paul Jones. 1779. February 19. Nantes.

Pursuant to Dr. Franklin's orders, he will deliver the [Countess of Selkirk's] plate deposited in the King's warehouse; asks him to bring a silversmith that the plate may be valued according to law. A. L. in 3d P. 2 p. X, 62.

From [Louis Guillouet, Comte] d'Orvilliers to John Paul Jones. 1779. March 3. Brest.

Offers his services and those of the Commandant at Brest. Question of the transference of Lieut. [Thomas] Simpson from the prison ship to a prison on land. A. L. S. I p. (In French.) X, 63.

From Edward Lloyd to [Richard Bennett Lloyd].

1779. March 5. Annapolis.

Proposed shipment of tobacco delayed by the presence of the enemy's privateers. Question of sending him bills of exchange. Peace expected soon. L. S. 2 p. (Copy.)

X, 64.

From _____ to ____.
1779. March 6. St. Eustache.

Account of the arrival of various ships escorted by French frigates; positions of Comte d'Estaing and Comte de Grasse. L. 2 p. (In French. Copy.)

From Richard Lloyd to His Nephew. 1779. March 30. Farley.

Upon the advice of Gen. [John] Cadwalader, J. H. Hallyday and James Tilghman, he agrees to let his nephew draw upon him for funds. L. S. 2 p. (Copy.) X, 66.

From Louis Sazerac l'ainé & fils to John Bondfield.

1779. August 5. Bordeaux.

Bill for cannon bought for the United States. Mem. S. 1 p. E. by John Bondfield. By order of Capt. [John] P[aul] Jones the above cannon were forwarded to l'Orient. X, 67.

From John Paul Jones to The Court-Martial, on board the "Bon Homme Richard." 1779. August 8.

The decision of the Court-Martial for the trial of Lieutenant [Robert] Robinson returned for consideration; recommends that disqualification be added to the sentence. A. L. in 3d P. 1 p. XII, 57.

From ______ to _____.

1779. August 11. Rotterdam.

News of the defeat of the British army near Charlestown; losses of the Americans and English; Pulaski's Cavalry made 180 prisoners. L. I p. X, 68.

From J. Craig to John Ross, Paris. 1779. August 11. Rotterdam.

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Minutes of a Court-Martial held for the Trial of Lieut. Robert Robinson. 1779. July to August. On board the "Bon Homme Richard," L'Orient.

Sentenced to discharge from the service and disqualification for future official position in the navy of the United States. A. Mem. S. D[enis] N[icolas] Cottineau de Kloguene, President, et al. 15 p.

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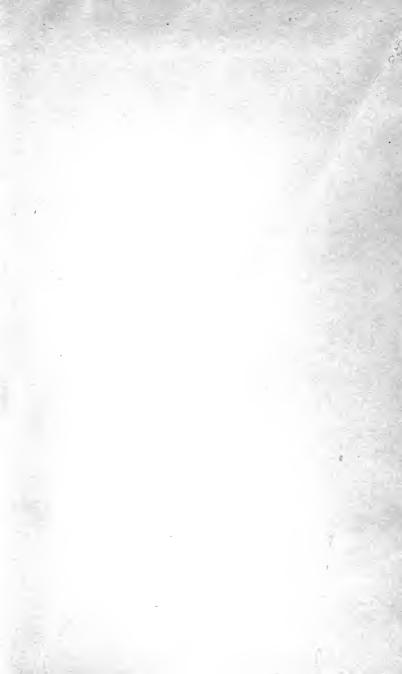
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